

# Message Companion

The Changing of the Ministry of  
William Branham from 1959-1965



A Compilation of  
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*Dear Friend in Christ,*

This book, about the ministry of William Marrion Branham, is intended to better reveal God's glorious plan for this day. We clearly see the footsteps of the just are ordered by God and that even the titles of the messages are ordered of the Lord for specific purposes. This short history of the Message includes titles, quotes, commentaries, and pictures from Brother Branham's ministry, as well as important historical and spiritual events. In no way, does this little book cover all the supernatural events God accomplished during the physical ministry of Brother Branham, nor what He continues to achieve through His Bride. It is however designed for all those who love the Message of the Hour and also for newcomers and the new generation of believers. This "Companion book" will help you to understand the transition period to the bride age in the time of the seventh angel of Revelation 3:14 and 10:7.

The purpose of this book is to portray the events occurring at the time Elijah appeared, as well as the development of Brother Branham's ministry through different "pulls" and dispensational changes. During this exciting period of time, Israel is reborn as a nation, thus fulfilling end-time prophecy; whereas the denominations and healing ministries of the church world descend into apostasy. Quite simply, they reject the Word. In His plan of salvation, God always reveals more of Himself. When God moves on, His Bride moves with Him by receiving His Word. Some notable persons of contemporary history are included in this book's chronology allowing the reader to better understand why the prophet refers to them, when he does, in his sermons.

I hope you are able to understand the different portions of sermons to follow in the context in which they were preached. This is spiritual reading material and is designed as a reference to accompany the reading of William Branham's sermons. At times, it has been difficult to ascertain the precise dates of particular events in Brother Branham's life. Instead of giving a day, month, and year, he might introduce a testimony with a descriptive phrase such as, "And here not long ago," or "Later then, one day..." emphasizing the miracle that occurred, rather than its chronology. Therefore, in cases where we can give no specific date, we place that event before the date of Brother Branham's earliest testimony on that subject.

I have consciously limited my comments; I do not attempt to persuade the reader to a certain way of thinking or doctrine. My objective is to leave the deep teachings to the local pastors. My sincere desire is to encourage you to dig deeper into God's Message for this day. To simply state the aim of this entire book, I want to encourage you not to linger just with the messenger, but to embrace the Person of Jesus Christ, the Word Himself.

I would greatly appreciate any comments you may have, in addition to any errors you may find, as you walk with us through the amazing life of William Branham. I also gratefully extend special thanks to my brothers and sisters, who faithfully helped me put this book together.

Your brother in Christ,

*Markus Becker*



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Date of the event



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Events related to the U.S.



Events related to Israel



Events related to the Soviet Union

Text written in Red

Quotes of William Branham



*Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet ...*

MALACHI 4:5

*But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel ...*

REVELATION 10:7

*Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.*

LUKE 17:30

*Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.*

AMOS 3:7

*ARISE, shine; for thy light is come... For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee ...*

ISAIAH 60:1-2

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“The coming of a prophet is a sign that God is ready to speak.”

*The Voice of the Sign, February 14, 1964*

“A prophet doesn’t only mean ‘a seer, a forth teller,’ it means ‘a revealer of the Word that’s written.’ In his own life, his own works, reveals and vindicates the Word of that day; like Noah building the ark; Moses down there; whatevermore; and any promise, the promised Word for that hour.”

*The Feast of the Trumpets, July 19, 1964*

“A prophet is a reflector of God. He is made so that he cannot speak his own words. It has to be God’s Words that he speaks. He’s just like a reflector, and he is God’s mouthpiece.”

*Things That Are to Be, December 5, 1965*

“Now this messenger of Malachi 4 and Revelation 10:7 is going to do two things. One: According to Malachi 4 he will turn the hearts of the children to the fathers. Two: He will reveal the mysteries of the seven thunders in Revelation 10 which are the revelations contained in the seven seals. It will be these Divinely revealed ‘mystery-truths’ that literally turn the hearts of the children to the Pentecostal fathers.”

*Laodicean Church Age, Church Age Book*

## Introduction

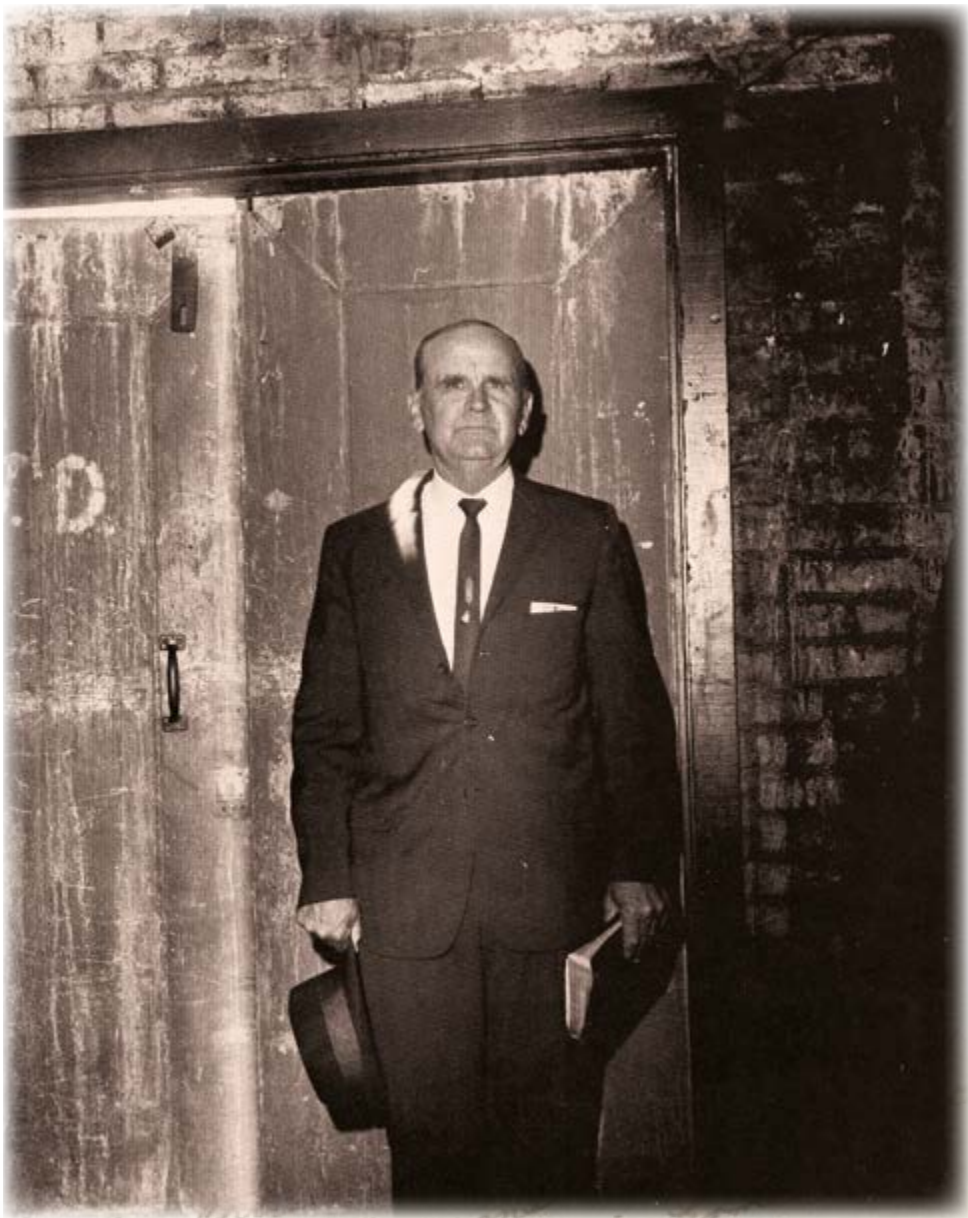
In the late 1940s, and into the 1950s, the world reeled with the consequences of World War II. Poverty, hunger, and sickness were widespread throughout the world; America was similarly affected. But, in the midst of all this, new hope was born with the news about a little man from a small, virtually unknown Midwestern town who met an angel: William Marrion Branham from Jeffersonville, Indiana. As in the past, God had chosen an unlikely candidate as a prophet.

People who witnessed the great gift God sent to mankind stood breathless and amazed at the wonderful fruits of that gift. In the presence of all these events, many turned to Christ confessing there is a living God. It almost seemed like the world returned to the time when Jesus Christ walked on earth, preaching the Kingdom of God, healing the sick, and doing great signs and wonders. After the Topeka and Azusa Street Revivals at the turn of the century, a revival, called “Healing Revival,” blazed across America and then spread worldwide. Most of the leaders of this Healing Revival considered William Branham its catalyst, and most of them drew their inspiration from him. During 1955, God showed William Branham a vision which initiated the changes that were to come in his ministry. The vision also declared events and happenings that would be far greater than anything else that had happened in his life to that point, and depicted the different stages in his ministry. Each step was symbolized by different images, such as a little bit of shoelace and



a baby shoe, or a fishing rod and a lure. God’s prophet spoke about this vision for the first time in the message *Why Are People so Tossed About?* preached January 1, 1956. This vision has come to be best known as the “Tent Vision.” It was this period of his ministry that William Branham would later call the “Third Pull.”

The ministry of William Branham was not limited to praying for sick people or discerning the thoughts and intents of the people’s hearts. Throughout his ministry, he confessed that God had a special purpose for his life and one day he would move westward to fulfill that purpose. With the unmistakable leading of the Lord, He moved His prophet West in 1963.



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“But I have come to this place that I want to explain what stage of time we’re living in according to the ministry that the Lord give me. And I wanted to record it from the tabernacle. It came on my heart last spring, but I waited till I got back here so I could get a recording of it, to send it to you peoples of the world.”

*Present Stage of My Ministry, September 8, 1962*

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SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO  
Tuesday, February 3 - Sunday, February 8

Many from the United States plan to attend and participate in this great ten-day Convention. It is possible that Fellowship Meetings also will be held in Cuba.

**WILLIAM BRANHAM**

will be conducting salvation and healing meetings in Jamaica and Puerto Rico throughout the Convention and will address the Convention in both countries.

**Please see the January issue of Full Gospel Men's Voice for final details, including time and place of Meetings, Breakfasts, Luncheons or Banquets.**

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## Communist leader, Fidel Castro, Takes over in Cuba

“Castro, used down yonder as a puppet, playing up, so Russia can get in there close enough they can throw their atomic missiles and things.”

*Abraham and His Seed*, April 23, 1961

In autumn of 1962, Brother Branham’s statement regarding Russia’s Cuban puppet proved correct. In September, the Soviets secretly shipped nuclear missiles to Cuba which had been constructing launch sites for those missiles. On October 14, American U2 spy planes discovered the Soviet construction sites. In the ensuing Cuban Missile Crisis of the following two weeks, the world came to the brink of nuclear war. However, after secret negotiations between American President John F. Kennedy and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, the looming crisis was peacefully diffused the morning of October 28. The whole world breathed a collective sigh of relief as a nuclear catastrophe was narrowly avoided. The Doomsday Clock read just seven minutes to midnight.



*Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing; and he called his servants, and said unto them, Will ye not shew me which of us is for the king of Israel? And one of his servants said, None, my lord, O king: but Elisha, the prophet that is in Israel, telleth the king of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber.*

II KINGS 6:11-12

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 166, 198 + 212



Jan. 25, 1959	Be Certain of God	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 9, 1959	Blind Bartimaeus	San Juan, PR
Feb. 11, 1959	Simeon and Anna	San Juan, PR
Mar. 1, 1959	Strait Is the Gate	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 1, 1959	What Doest Thou Here?	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 29, 1959	Living, Dying, Buried, Rising, Coming	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 29, 1959	Water Baptism	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 29, 1959	The Sign of the Messiah	Jeffersonville, IN
Apr. 3, 1959	Living, Dying, Buried, Rising, Coming	Los Angeles, CA



Apr. 4, 1959	What Is the Works of God?	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 5, 1959	It Was Not so from the Beginning	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 5, 1959	The Queen of Sheba	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 6, 1959	New Ministry (William Branham)	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 7, 1959	Led by the Spirit	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 8, 1959	Blind Bartimaeus	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 9, 1959	Mary's Belief	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 10, 1959	Looking at the Unseen	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 11, 1959	Testimony	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 11, 1959	Watching His Star	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 12, 1959	Be Certain of God	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 12, 1959	What Hearest Thou, Elijah?	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 14, 1959	Thirsting for Life	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 15, 1959	God's Provided Way	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 15, 1959	The Faith of Abraham	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 16, 1959	El-Shaddai	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 17, 1959	Jehovah-Jireh	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 18, 1959	A Time of Decision	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 19, 1959	My Life Story	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 19, 1959	Show Us the Father and It Will Satisfy Us	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 22, 1959	We Would See Jesus	San Jose, CA
Apr. 23, 1959	Abraham's Seed	San Jose, CA
Apr. 24, 1959	The Faith of Abraham	San Jose, CA
Apr. 24, 1959	Hear Ye Him	San Jose, CA
May 10, 1959	Mother's Day	Jeffersonville, IN
May 10, 1959	Who Is This?	Jeffersonville, IN
May 25, 1959	Images of Christ	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 9, 1959	What Hearest Thou, Elijah?	Chicago, IL
Jun. 10, 1959	As I Thought on My Way	Chicago, IL
Jun. 11, 1959	The Time of Decision	Chicago, IL
Jun. 12, 1959	All the Days of Our Life	Chicago, IL
Jun. 13, 1959	Thirsting for Life	Chicago, IL
Jun. 14, 1959	Balm in Gilead	Chicago, IL
Jun. 28, 1959	A Deceived Church, by the World	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 28, 1959	Questions and Answers	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 2, 1959	Where Has Thy Strength Gone, Samson?	Los Angeles, CA
Jul. 6, 1959	Thinking on Our Way	Cleveland, TN



Jul. 7, 1959	Balm in Gilead	Cleveland, TN
Jul. 8, 1959	Dedication of building, to the Lord	Cleveland, TN
Jul. 8, 1959	Be Certain of God	Cleveland, TN
Jul. 12, 1959	A Total Deliverance	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 2, 1959	Without Money or Without Price	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 10, 1959	The Reaction to an Action	Chautauqua, OH
Aug. 11, 1959	It Is I, Be Not Afraid	Chautauqua, OH
Aug. 12, 1959	Discerning the Body of the Lord	Chautauqua, OH
Aug. 13, 1959	Why?	Chautauqua, OH
Aug. 14, 1959	As I Thought on My Ways	Chautauqua, OH
Aug. 15, 1959	As the Eagle Stirreth Up Her Nest	Chautauqua, OH
Aug. 23, 1959	Palmerworm, Locust, Cankerworm, ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Sep. 20, 1959	Planting the Vine and Where to Plant It	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 1, 1959	What Went Ye Out to See?	Utica, IN
Oct. 4, 1959	Who Is This?	Clarksville, IN
Oct. 4, 1959	Why Cry? Speak!	Clarksville, IN





History of...

## The Manifestations of the Third Pull

Brother Branham exercised his knowledge of divine love in the first half of the 1950s when he **calmed a charging killer bull, spoke to an angry swarm of hornets, and prayed for an injured mother opossum.** But it was not until 1957 that Brother Branham had his first experience with the manifestation of the Third Pull. He was commanded, by God, to speak the Word and to bring a little fish back to life. Several more manifestations would come in the next few years of his ministry.

“Just a few days ago, as I was telling you, down yonder in a little old lake in Kentucky, a little dead fishy laying on the water for a half hour, I saw God make that death stand still, and a simple little fish... If you don’t think you’re more than a fish; how much more is a man than a fish? But God wanted to show He’d take the simple things and show that He was still the resurrection and life. He made death stand still over that fish and he received his life and swam away again.”

*Stand Still and See the Salvation of the Lord, June 29, 1957*





## Squirrels Are Spoken into Existence - Another Manifestation of the Third Pull

In October, and again in November of 1959, God showed two more manifestations of the Third Pull. While out hunting in October, Brother Branham was meditating on Mark 11:23 and God showed him that a man can be so anointed with the Holy Ghost that when he opens his mouth it is like God speaking.



After showing Brother Branham this, the Lord commanded him to speak what he wished and it would be given to him. Brother Branham called for squirrels to fulfill his hunting allotment. The Lord urged him to speak squirrels into existence on two occasions and they appeared as if they had been created out of nothing, and were then shot by Brother Branham. God then revealed to him that these miracles foreshadowed a change in his ministry which would lead to a great climax in the near future.

“Something moved back and say, ‘Say what you will, and it shall be given to you.’ I said, ‘Lord, are You changing my ministry? Is this the change You been speaking of?’ (...) Just then, a real deep, sweet anointing of the Holy Spirit raised me like off of my feet, and said, ‘Say what you will, and it shall be given unto you.’ (...) I thought, ‘Well, what could I say? There’s no sick people here. There’s nothing here.’ (...) Just then, I heard It just the same as you hear me, said, ‘Aren’t you hunting? And you have no game?’ Said, ‘Speak anything that you wish.’ (...)”

And I stood there a little bit. And I thought, ‘What did He say? He didn’t say, ‘Pray,’ He said, ‘Say what you will. Just say it, and your words will materialize. Say to this mountain, and it’ll do just as you say.’ So I put my shoulder against the tree. (...) I said, ‘It’s almost total impossible for a squirrel to come to that tree. Right near them farmers there picking their corn.’ I said, ‘But there will be a red squirrel come out on the end of that limb and set down there, and I’ll shoot him from here.’ And no more than I’d said it, there was a squirrel ...”

*My New Ministry*, November 15, 1959



Nov. 8, 1959 Possessing the Enemy’s Gates

Jeffersonville, IN



## The Faith of Hattie Wright - "Ask What You Will and It Shall Be Given unto You"

Sister Hattie Wright was a humble widow of meager means and her modest home was always open to Brother Branham. When he was visiting nearby, he could find a meal or a warm place to rest for a few minutes. Brother Branham made the following remark about the Wright's attitude, "... And they were poor people, but I was welcome."

Sister Wright received a reward, from the Lord, during one of those visits in November of 1959. Brother Branham was visiting her house with some brothers in Christ, and recounted the story of



*Sister Hattie Wright with Orville and Coy*

speaking squirrels into existence. When Sister Hattie heard the story, she exclaimed: "Brother Branham, that ain't nothing but the truth!" Immediately, the Holy Spirit swept into the room and through Brother Branham, said to her, "Ask what you will and it shall be given unto you." She requested the salvation of her two sons, who were sitting there, laughing and making fun. Sister Wright received her answer immediately. The boys fell on their knees and cried for God's mercy. This was the third manifestation of the Third Pull.

"Now, Sister Hattie's very quiet, and pious little woman; never raises her voice about anything. But you could've heard her scream a city block when the Holy Spirit struck the building. Everybody—everybody there felt It. It was wonderful. We may live a long time. But Sister Hattie, as long as there is a memory in our mind, we'll remember that, Sister Wright. Now, that the people might know that I told that just exactly true, would you raise up your hand, Sister Hattie, (...) so that you can see. See, there they are. Here... Stand up, Sister Hattie. There's the little widow woman that the miracle happened on, the first, bypassing all the peoples of the world, for that thing to happen first to that poor, little, humble widow woman upon a hillside up there, trying to raise a crop of corn out of a crawfish ground out there to take care of her children. That's the one that God honored the first time since the days of Jesus Christ, and said, 'Ask what you will.'"

*My New Ministry, November 15, 1959*



*And he said to Gehazi his servant, Call this Shunammite. And when he had called her, she stood before him. And he said unto him, Say now unto her, Behold, thou hast been careful for us with all this care; what is to be done for thee? wouldest thou be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the host? And she answered, I dwell among mine own people.*

II KINGS 4:12-13



## John F. Kennedy Is Elected President of the United States of America



Following a series of seven visions in 1933, Brother Branham warned the American church-going people of the rising power of the Roman Catholic Church. John F. Kennedy became not only the youngest man to be elected president but also the first Catholic one. Kennedy's presidency was a watershed moment for American Catholicism. Since then, Catholics have ascended to important political offices in greater and greater numbers.

During the 1940s and 1950s, while Senator McCarthy was investigating the communist influence in America, the Reverend Billy Graham is on record as saying, "Either communism must die, or Christianity must die, because it is actually a battle between Christ and anti-Christ." While Billy Graham was telling the American public Communism was their greatest threat, William Branham understood the real threat came from the purple curtain of Catholicism that would work to denigrate the power of God in the American people.



The Reverend Graham, dubbed the 'Pastor in Chief,' (TIME Magazine - August 2007), visited or advised 12 American presidents, from Dwight D. Eisenhower to Barack Obama.

"There's an iron curtain; there's a bamboo curtain; and there's a purple curtain. Brother, don't you fear none of the rest of them, but watch that purple curtain. She's setting right here on the throne, today, in this country. Remember, just like Ahab did, Jezebel behind him, that's ... The Bible calls the Catholic Church 'Jezebel, prostitute.' And Ahab wasn't no bad guy. I don't say that Mr. Kennedy isn't a nice man; I don't know nothing about him. He's a man; that's all I know. He's the President; I believe he will make a good president. It's not him; it's that system behind him. Wait till she gets wormed into the Cabinet, and everywhere she can, then watch what happens. Look what it done in other nations; look what it's always done."

*The Restoration of the Bride Tree, April 22, 1962*

\* Sorry for the mistake. It should be Nov. 8, 1960



## History of... The Major Visions Given in June 1933

In 1933, the Lord showed Brother Branham seven major visions that would come to pass before the coming of the Lord.

One of the visions describes how women would degrade themselves by adopting immoral clothing. The Word of the Lord cannot fail and we believe every vision will be fulfilled as written by the prophet.



“The Lord Jesus spoke to me and said that the coming of the Lord was drawing nigh, but that before He came, seven major events would transpire. I wrote them all down and that morning I gave forth the revelation of the Lord.

① The first vision was that Mussolini would invade Ethiopia and that nation would ‘fall at his steps.’ That vision surely did cause some repercussions, and some were very angry when I said it and would not believe it. But it happened that way. He just walked in there with his modern arms and took over. The natives didn’t have a chance. But the vision also said that Mussolini would come to a horrible end with his own people turning on him. That came to pass just exactly as it was said.

② The next vision foretold that an Austrian by the name of Adolf Hitler would rise up as dictator over Germany, and that he would draw the world into war. It showed the Siegfried line and how our troops would have a terrible time to overcome it. Then it showed that Hitler would come to a mysterious end.

③ The third vision was in the realm of world politics for it showed me that there would be three great -isms, Facism, Nazism, Communism, but that the first two would be swallowed up into the third. The voice admonished, ‘WATCH RUSSIA, WATCH RUSSIA. Keep your eye on the King of the North.’

*Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 176/177 + 206/207*

④ The fourth vision showed the great advances in science that would come after the Second World War. It was headed up in the vision of a plastic bubble-topped car that was running down beautiful highways under remote control, so that people appeared seated in this car without a steering wheel and they were playing some sort of a game to amuse themselves.

⑤ The fifth vision had to do with the moral problem of our age, centering mostly around women. God showed me that women began to be out of their place with the granting of the vote. Then they cut off their hair, which signified that they were no longer under the authority of a man but insisted on either equal rights, or in most cases, more than equal rights. She adopted men's clothing and went into a state of undress, until the last picture I saw was a woman naked except for a little fig leaf type apron. With this vision I saw the terrible perversion and moral plight of the whole world.

⑥ Then in the sixth vision there arose up in America a most beautiful, but cruel woman. She held the people in her complete power. I believed that this was the rise of the Roman Catholic Church, though I knew it could possibly be a vision of some woman rising in great power in America due to a popular vote by women.

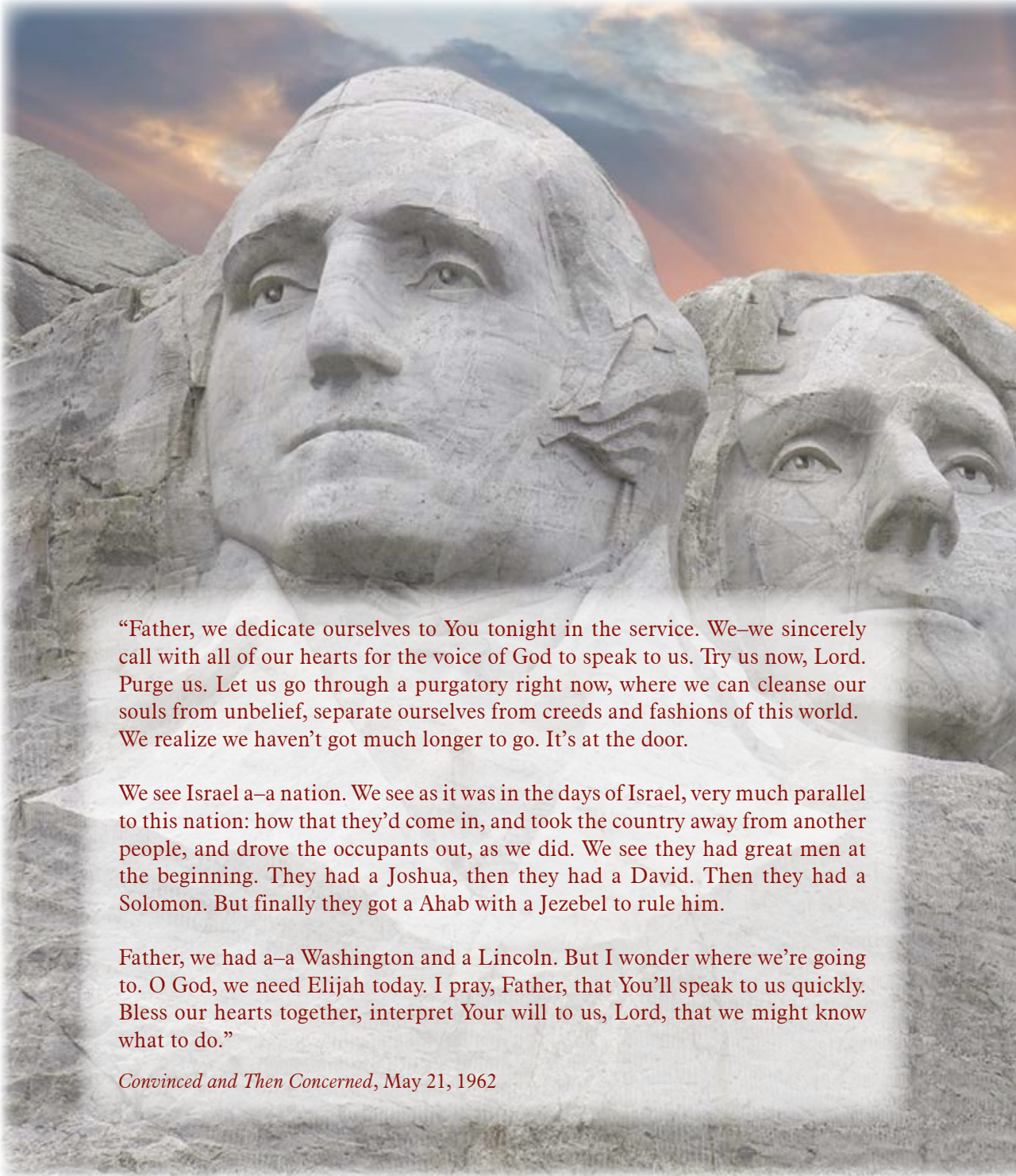
⑦ The last and seventh vision was wherein I heard a most terrible explosion. As I turned to look I saw nothing but debris, craters, and smoke all over the land of America.”

*Laodicean Church Age, Church Age Book*

*Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 198/199 + 202/203*



## "As It Was in the Days of Israel"



“Father, we dedicate ourselves to You tonight in the service. We—we sincerely call with all of our hearts for the voice of God to speak to us. Try us now, Lord. Purge us. Let us go through a purgatory right now, where we can cleanse our souls from unbelief, separate ourselves from creeds and fashions of this world. We realize we haven’t got much longer to go. It’s at the door.

We see Israel a—a nation. We see as it was in the days of Israel, very much parallel to this nation: how that they’d come in, and took the country away from another people, and drove the occupants out, as we did. We see they had great men at the beginning. They had a Joshua, then they had a David. Then they had a Solomon. But finally they got a Ahab with a Jezebel to rule him.

Father, we had a—a Washington and a Lincoln. But I wonder where we’re going to. O God, we need Elijah today. I pray, Father, that You’ll speak to us quickly. Bless our hearts together, interpret Your will to us, Lord, that we might know what to do.”

*Convinced and Then Concerned, May 21, 1962*



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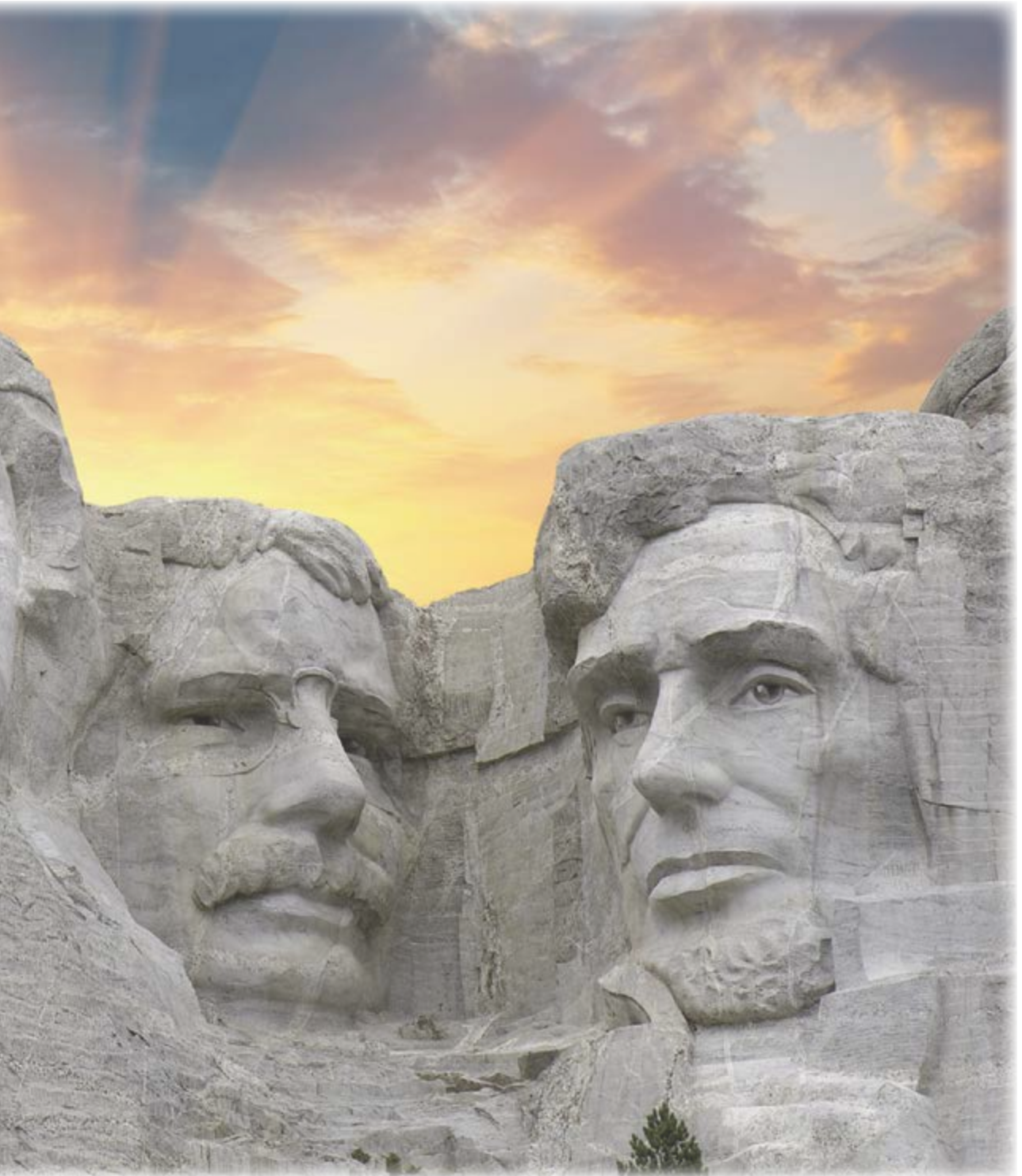
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Nov. 15, 1959 My New Ministry

Jeffersonville, IN

## Speak to This Mountain

In November 1959, Brother Branham took the opportunity to give an account of the three manifestations of the Third Pull when he preached the message, *My New Ministry*, at the Tabernacle in Jeffersonville.



When Brother Branham was in San Jose, he was still impressed and amazed by the manifestations of the Third Pull. To him it meant one thing: the Spoken Word has so much power it can give new life and even create life. He made this his major theme in these four sermons in California, especially in the message, *Speak to This Mountain*.



Nov. 20, 1959	A Prophet Like Unto Moses	San Jose, CA
Nov. 21, 1959	Thy Seed Shall Possess the Gate of His Enemy	San Jose, CA
Nov. 22, 1959	Who Is This?	San Jose, CA
Nov. 23, 1959	Speak to This Mountain	San Jose, CA

“I believe that the church of the living God is moving into a sphere now that’s going to shake the whole world. That’s the first time it’s been since the days of Jesus of Nazareth to a human being. ‘Ask anything that you will, and it shall be given unto you, anything you desire.’ Don’t you see the words of Jesus Christ being fulfilled? Oh, it’s going to come to pass pretty soon. I’m looking for it to happen in this meeting. I’m wanting it to happen now, that that anointing will strike the whole church of the living God, and she’ll rise to her feet like a mighty marching army. The sick will be healed by a word; the blind will see; the deaf will hear; the dead will be raised up; and the power of God will shake the world with the church of the living God.”

*Speak to This Mountain*, November 23, 1959



Nov. 24, 1959	Balm in Gilead	San Jose, CA
Nov. 25, 1959	From the Beginning It Wasn’t So	San Jose, CA



Nov. 26, 1959	Jehovah of Miracles	San Jose, CA
Nov. 27, 1959	Blind Bartimaeus	San Jose, CA
Nov. 28, 1959	Door to the Heart	San Jose, CA
Nov. 29, 1959	Let Us See God	San Jose, CA
Dec. 16, 1959	What Is the Holy Ghost?	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 17, 1959	What Was the Holy Ghost Given For?	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 19, 1959	Questions and Answers on the Holy Ghost	Jeffersonville, IN

## Receive the Holy Ghost

Though a prophet of God, Brother Branham always retained the heart of a pastor and instinctively understood the people's needs and doubts. He knew many of the believers did not fully understand one major doctrinal question: "What is the baptism of the Holy Ghost and how do I know I have received Him?" In December 1959, Brother Branham preached a series of sermons to answer the many questions that had arisen.

"That's what the Holy Ghost does: the Holy Ghost by justification (See?), just a light shadow of It; the Holy Ghost by sanctification, a little deeper shadow of It; the Holy Ghost by the baptism of It, a deeper shadow; now the Holy Ghost by the restoration of Its very Person being in here, forming signs and wonders like He did at the beginning."

*What Is the Holy Ghost?* December 16, 1959

"Now, I—I believe that—that the—the reason that there's so much confusion today about the Holy Spirit; it's not correctly taught. I believe that the baptism is taught, and just say, 'the baptism,' but then be like you say, 'automobile.' But now, I've got several mechanics in this church, and I don't know one thing about it, so if I make a mistake, brethren, I'm ... Remember I'm not a mechanic. There has to be coils, and plugs, and points, and valves, and everything else that makes the automobile. And when you talk about the baptism of the Holy Spirit, there's a lot goes with That. Huh? See? There's a lot goes with That. And here's what I think that God is proving; The Holy Spirit is here. See?"

*Blasphemous Names*, November 4, 1962



*Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.*

ACTS 2:38-39

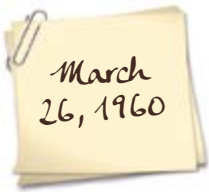


Dec. 20, 1959	Conference with God	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 20, 1959	Identified with Christ	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 23, 1959	Questions and Answers	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 27, 1959	A Super Sign	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 27, 1959	A Super Sense	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 31, 1959	And From That Time	Jeffersonville, IN

## 1960

Jan. 8, 1960	Conference with God	Tifton, GA
Jan. 9, 1960	Sirs, We Would See Jesus	Tifton, GA
Jan. 10, 1960	The Queen of Sheba	Tifton, GA
Feb. 10, 1960	The Revelation That Was Given to Me	San Juan, PR
Feb. 21, 1960	Hearing, Recognizing, Acting on the Word...	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 28, 1960	Conferences	Phoenix, AZ
Feb. 29, 1960	The Oncoming Storm	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 1, 1960	He Careth for You	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 2, 1960	From That Time	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 3, 1960	Former and Latter Rain	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 4, 1960	Thirsting for Life	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 5, 1960	Be Not Afraid, It Is I	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 6, 1960	It Wasn't so from the Beginning	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 8, 1960	Discernment of Spirit	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 9, 1960	Why?	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 10, 1960	Elijah and the Meal-Offering	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 11, 1960	Mary's Belief	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 12, 1960	Door to the Heart	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 13, 1960	Hear Ye Him	Phoenix, AZ
Mar. 26, 1960	The Unchangeable God	Tulsa, OK





## Elvis Presley Comes Back from His Military Service - A Special TV Show Will Air Called: Welcome Home, Elvis

The 1960s were a time of moral apostasy for the church. Rock n' Roll music seemed to pave the way for a wild lifestyle of drugs and a sexual revolution. Men like Elvis Presley had a tremendous impact on young Christian lives. They claimed to be religious people, but in fact were bringing rebellion into the church.



The Bible declares that when the enemy comes in like a flood, the Lord will raise up a standard against it. In order to fulfill this Word, God could not simply send a reformer to the Laodicean church; He had to send a prophet, a seer, who could actually visualize what would happen in the other dimensions.

“Now today as we are approaching it in this dark evil time... Now I do not like to call people’s names, but I’m going to have to call somebody’s name now. But I pray for the young man, and I pray all the time for him. But he is an instrument in the hands of the devil, and that is this man Elvis Presley. The people are gone boogie-woogie or rock-and-roll wild. The American people has gone. And they are trying by that same spirit to get the thing into the church.”

*God Keeps His Word*, January 20, 1957



*This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.*

II TIMOTHY 3:1-5

➔ Find more information in the Appendix, page 212



Mar. 28, 1960	Is There Anything Too Hard for the Lord?	Tulsa, OK
Mar. 29, 1960	It Is I, Be Not Afraid	Tulsa, OK
Mar. 30, 1960	Blind Bartimaeus	Tulsa, OK
Mar. 31, 1960	From That Time	Tulsa, OK
Apr. 1, 1960	Why?	Tulsa, OK
Apr. 1, 1960	The Queen of Sheba	Tulsa, OK
Apr. 2, 1960	Believest Thou This?	Tulsa, OK
Apr. 3, 1960	As the Eagle Stirreth	Tulsa, OK
Apr. 17, 1960	I Know	Jeffersonville, IN
Apr. 17, 1960	Go, Tell	Jeffersonville, IN



*"You Walk With Too Many!"*

"And I looked, and I seen something make a flicker over to one side. And I looked, and there was my wall opened up, and I seen Jesus. How many of you ever heard me say that I seen Jesus twice in my life in a vision? And I believed I would see Him again before the end time (See?), see Him again. Now, I looked, and the skies was right out there, just looked like I looked through the wall. And there was the Bible standing right like this, great big Bible standing in the skies.

Well, there's something got light around the Bible, and out of the Bible come a real pretty golden cross. And it stood out like this, and the lights coming from all around it, and out of that cross He walked. The Bible reflected the cross; the cross reflected Him. And He come walking out, and walked right down to where I was at. I can see it just as plain; I can see the—that cross reflecting His hair standing there, hung down over His face.

He looked down at me like that, and He said to me, 'You are waiting for your new ministry to be confirmed to you.' He said, 'I've already confirmed it to you. It's already confirmed. You've got to accept it.' See? (...) And there He stood, talking to me. And He said, 'But you walk with too many.' He said, **'To walk with Me, you'll walk alone.'** I'd seen that. I'd been catering too much to denominations and everything (You see?), somebody trying to tell you what to do and what not to do. You got to follow Him.

Now, remember the vision that He give me about the fishes, you know, and how that you couldn't teach supernatural signs to Pentecostal babies. You remember. There it was. And I'm right at the brim of this new message. No more than the vision left me, I said, 'Amen, Lord.' And my wife was standing there, almost fainted."

*Go, Tell*, April 17, 1960



## Beyond the Curtain of Time

In the message *The Rejected King*, Brother Branham told his congregation five major denominations had refused to allow him to preach in their churches, mainly because of his teaching on the original sin, often called “the serpent’s seed.” It seems that the denominations accepted him for his gift of healing, but they rejected the Word he brought.

It was no accident that in *The Rejected King* Brother Branham chose the subject of Israel rejecting the prophet Samuel as a parallel of today. In spite of being rejected by the denominations, other, more joyful things were occurring. It was during this time that God allowed Brother Branham to look beyond the curtain of time, where he saw all the people that had—and will—come to Christ by his ministry. God also told him about the many great things ahead for both him and the church.

“And they took me up and set me up on a great big high place. And I thought, ‘I am not dreaming. I’m looking back at my - my body laying down there on the bed.’ And they set me up there, and I said, ‘Oh, I shouldn’t set up here.’ And here come women and men from both sides just in the bloom of youth, screaming. And one woman was standing there, and she screamed, ‘Oh, my precious brother. Oh, we are so happy to see you here.’ (...)

And I looked, and I heard something kept saying, ‘You’re just starting. Press the battle. Just keep pressing.’ I shook my head a minute and then I thought, ‘Well, I probably just thinking like this, you know, a person can get some imaginations.’ And I said, ‘I just probably imagined that.’ It said, ‘Press the battle. Keep going. Keep going.’ And I said, ‘Maybe I said it.’ And I put my lips within my teeth, and put my hand over my mouth, and there it come again; said, ‘Just keep pressing. If you only knew what was at the end of the road.’”

*The Rejected King*, May 15, 1960





## History of... The Lord's Commissions to Brother Branham

In his ministry, Brother Branham received several different commissions from the Lord. When he was a little boy, the voice of God spoke to him giving him his first commission, **“Don’t never smoke, or drink, or defile your body in any way. There’ll be a work for you to do when you get older.”**

Brother Branham was already called to be a preacher when he received his first official commission while baptizing converts in the Ohio River. As he was baptizing the seventeenth person, a great shining light appeared before several hundred people and gave him his commission saying, **“As John the Baptist was sent for a forerunner of the first coming of Jesus Christ, your Message will bring the second coming of Jesus Christ.”**

He received another commission the morning Branham Tabernacle was dedicated. The Lord told him, **“Do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of your ministry. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but shall heap for themselves together teachers, having itching ears, and shall be turned from the truth to fables.”** On May 7, 1946, the Angel of the Lord appeared to Brother Branham in his cabin near Green’s Mill and gave him the following commission:

“He said, ‘Do not fear.’ When that voice spoke, I knew it was the same One. He looked at me; His eyes looked upon me kindly. Not to look sympathizing with this Angel, but that ... Said, ‘Do not fear.’ Said, ‘I’m sent from the Presence of God to tell you that you were born a peculiar birth, and your peculiar life has been to indicate, that you’re to take the gift of Divine healing to the people of the world.’ I said, ‘Sir, I’m uneducated. I couldn’t go.’ He said, ‘If you’ll get them to believe you, and if you’re sincere when you pray, nothing shall stand before your prayer, if you’ll get them to believe you.’

And I said, ‘I bet they wouldn’t believe me, Sir.’ He said, ‘You’ll be given two signs as the prophet Moses was given two signs, to get the people to believe you is the real issue.’ He said, ‘One of them was detecting diseases just by holding the person’s right hand in your left.’ He said, Then if you’ll be sincere, it shall come to pass that you’ll tell the very secrets of their hearts, and the things that they are doing wrong, to build the faith in the people to be in faith and to vindicate you that I—God will send it to you.”

*Gifts and Callings Are without Repentance, March 1950*



Many years later, in the message *Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?* preached in December 1962, he made the following statement about his **new commission**:

“Then it came to me, while I was in this constellation, ‘No, that isn’t it. If it would’ve killed you, it would’ve killed Joseph.’ And I could hear Joseph calling me. Well, then I turned again, and I thought, ‘Lord God, what does this vision mean?’ **And I wondered, and then it come to me, not a voice, just come to me. Oh, that is the Angels of the Lord coming to give me my new commission.** And when I thought that, I raised up my hands, and I said, ‘Oh Lord Jesus, what will You have me do?’ And the vision left me. For almost an hour, I couldn’t feel.”

*Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?* December 30, 1962

“And I remember when He swept down there in that big Light, standing yonder at the bottom of the river, 1933, in June, when He said, ‘As - as John the Baptist was sent forth and forerun the first coming of Christ; I send **you with a Message** to the world, to forerun the second Coming of Christ.’”

*Absolute*, December 30, 1962





May 15, 1960	The Rejected King	Jeffersonville, IN
May 15, 1960	Adoption #1	Jeffersonville, IN
May 18, 1960	Adoption #2	Jeffersonville, IN
May 22, 1960	Adoption #3	Jeffersonville, IN
May 22, 1960	Adoption #4	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 4, 1960	To Whom Shall We Go?	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 6, 1960	To Whom Would We Go?	Chautauqua, OH
Jun. 7, 1960	Hearing, Receiving, and Acting	Chautauqua, OH
Jun. 8, 1960	Having Conferences	Chautauqua, OH
Jun. 9, 1960	Be Not Afraid	Chautauqua, OH
Jun. 10, 1960	The Rejected King	Chautauqua, OH
Jun. 11, 1960	Fellowship	Middletown, OH
Jun. 11, 1960	Faith Is the Sixth Sense	Chautauqua, OH
Jun. 12, 1960	Speak to This Rock	Chautauqua, OH
Jun. 26, 1960	The Unfailing Realities of the Living God	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 30, 1960	God's Provided Approach to Divine ...	Tulsa, OK
Jul. 8, 1960	Sir, We Would See Jesus	Klamath Falls, OR
Jul. 9, 1960	God's Provided Way of Approach to ...	Klamath Falls, OR
Jul. 10, 1960	The Queen of Sheba	Klamath Falls, OR
Jul. 11, 1960	The Door Inside the Door	Klamath Falls, OR
Jul. 12, 1960	Hear Ye Him	Klamath Falls, OR
Jul. 13, 1960	Blind Bartimaeus	Klamath Falls, OR
Jul. 16, 1960	From That Time	Klamath Falls, OR
Jul. 17, 1960	Be Not Afraid	Klamath Falls, OR
Jul. 20, 1960	It Is I	Lakeport, CA
Jul. 22, 1960	Watchman, What of the Night?	Lakeport, CA
Jul. 23, 1960	Speak to the Rock and It Shall Give ...	Lakeport, CA
Jul. 24, 1960	The Unchangeable Word of God	Lakeport, CA





## History of... The Pillar of Fire

The ministry of Brother Branham was always accompanied by the Pillar of Fire. God allowed It to be photographed several times with Brother Branham – for the believers a symbol of His approval. Brother Branham identified **the Pillar of Fire as the same Angel of the Lord that led the children of Israel through the wilderness and met Saul on his way to Damascus.**

One of the best known pictures of the Pillar of Fire is this one photographed in 1950 at the Houston Colosseum in Houston, Texas.

“The first time Mr. Lacy said it was the first time in all human history that a - a supernatural Being was ever photographed. They said it just a ... that it’s been said, a lot of times that those lights around the saints, and the unbelievers say that’s some artist painted that picture. But said, ‘It surely must have been there, for that optical lens-mechanical lens of a camera won’t take psychology. It was ... It was there.’”

*At Thy Word, July 14, 1950*

“And in here also, if you’d like to read Mr. Lacy’s write-up, there it is. You can have a photostatic copy ... A photostatic copy’s in my book there, but they won’t let us (the studios), won’t let me print the picture in my book. They let me have the ... this, for this is copyrighted. See on the back, and on here? And you couldn’t touch it (See?), because it’s copyrighted, and they’ve got it in Washington, D.C. And one of them hangs in the Religious Hall of Art, in Washington, D.C., as the first photograph that was ever taken of a supernatural Being.”

*The Angel of the Lord, July 18, 1951*





## The Altar of Fire

While Brother Branham was preaching in Lakeport, California, in 1958, God once again allowed Himself to be photographed with Brother Branham. Later Brother Branham would refer to this picture in relation to Ezekiel one.



*And I saw as the color of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw it as the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.*

EZEKIEL 1:27



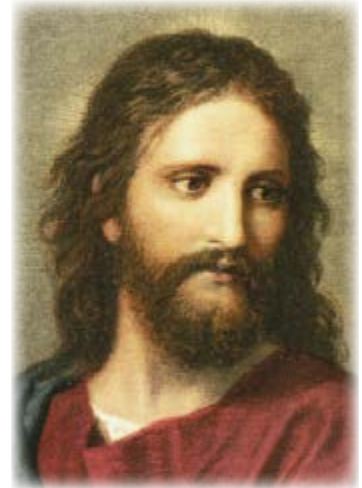
Jul. 29, 1960	What It Takes to Overcome All Unbelief...	Yakima, WA
Jul. 31, 1960	Show Us the Father and It Will Satisfy Us	Yakima, WA
Aug. 2, 1960	El-Shaddai	Yakima, WA
Aug. 3, 1960	Abraham	Yakima, WA
Aug. 4, 1960	As the Eagle Stirreth Up Her Nest	Yakima, WA

\* Year was updated. The decision was made to keep the article in the book.



## "I Am Your Portion"

"And I stood outside, and I got to myself and walked around to get my car. Then something said to me; it was Satan; he said, 'But what about you? Oral's ministry come off of yours, so did Tommy Osborn. Here you are. Where's your IBM machines?' A little old end of a trailer that Brother Leo lets me have an office in, a phone setting in there, and a little second-handed typewriter. 'What about that?' I said, 'Oh, I would sure hate for them to come see that.' Satan says, 'You see, He don't—can't trust you. I said, 'I guess that's right.' See? 'All them brother with all, I guess, He—He just can't trust me, that's all.'



And I was standing there looking there, and I got real broke up; I thought, 'O God. As hard as I've tried and everything else.' And I said then, 'Look what You have done.' Just then I heard a voice said, 'But I am your Portion.' Amen. I thought, 'Oh, God, a tent or a cottage, why should I care. You're building a palace for me over there, of rubies and diamonds, and silver and gold. His coffers are full. He has riches untold. I'm a child, an eagle, of the King, a child of the King; with Jesus, my Saviour, I'm a child of the King.' Oh, my."

*As the Eagle Stirreth Up Her Nest, August 4, 1960*

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*Entrance to Oral Roberts University*



Aug. 5, 1960	Lamb and Dove	Yakima, WA
Aug. 6, 1960	Hear Ye Him	Yakima, WA
Aug. 7, 1960	Debate on Tongues	Yakima, WA
Sep. 11, 1960	As I Was With Moses, so I Will Be With Thee	Jeffersonville, IN
Sep. 11, 1960	Five Definite Identifications of the True ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Sep. 25, 1960	That Day on Calvary	Jeffersonville, IN
Sep. 30, 1960	Visions of William Branham	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 2, 1960	The Kinsman Redeemer	Jeffersonville, IN



## The Scandal in the United Nations



On October 12, 1960, Nikita Khrushchev, leader of the Soviet Union, took off his shoe and pounded it on his desk at the UN General Assembly. This unusual event caught the world's attention. Brother Branham showed how it was actually a fulfillment of Scripture and prophecy from the Book of Daniel. In Ukrainian, Khrushchev means "clay" and in German, Eisen has to do with "iron." Brother Branham identified Khrushchev and Eisenhower as being the big toes of the feet of iron and clay in King Nebuchadnezzar's dream.

*"Remember when Khrushchev beat his shoe on the desk at the U.N. (...) The two main leaders of the world, the two big toes of the feet of iron and clay, were side by side. We are at the end of it all."*

*The Thyatirean Church Age, Church Age Book*

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*And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potter's clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. And whereas thou sawest iron mixt with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay. And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.*

DANIEL 2:41-44



*"Rise, and Go Up in the Place That You Call Sportsman's Hollow"*

Brother Branham was not sure where his ministry was headed when the Angel of the Lord directed him to a favorite hunting spot called 'Sportsman's Hollow.' While praying for the Lord's direction, the Angel told him to read **Malachi, chapter four**. He also read **Luke, chapter one**, where of John the Baptist was said he would turn the hearts of the fathers to the children. The revelation of where his ministry was to lead became clear. This was the second part of the Elijah ministry, a restoration ministry; he would turn the hearts of the children back to the fathers.

With this revelation in hand, Brother Branham scheduled special meetings at the tabernacle where he opened the mysteries of the Seven Church Ages.

"I was reading in the Scriptures the other day up in the mountain. I was reading there, and the Holy Spirit told me to go up to a certain tree and stand there. He wanted to speak to me. I stood there for a half hour. He never said nothing. I laid down under this oak tree, and laid myself out. I said, 'Lord' You spoke to me about a mile up here, and said come up here on the mountain here (this Sportsman's Hollow, as I called it), and You'd speak to me. Then He showed me, when He opened up Malachi, the 4th chapter. And I said... 'Behold the day cometh that shall burn as an oven, burn up the proud...' (If you want to put it down, Malachi 4.)

And He said, 'It shall burn the proud, and the—and the righteous shall walk out upon the ashes of the wicked.' Well, then... And He said, 'Behold I send to you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of the Lord shall come; it shall... And He will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children and the children of the fathers, or the children's hearts to the fathers.'"

*The Messiah*, January 17, 1961

“Last week we had a meeting at Shreveport, Louisiana, the greatest spiritual meeting I ever went into in my life: Shreveport. I was—had a couple days of vacation, and I went down in Kentucky with Brother Wood here, one of the deacons of the church, or trustees, rather, to hunt. We went into the woods.

I’d shot the first squirrel. And I said, ‘I’ll just wait,’ because someone come through with some dogs. And I said, ‘I’ll just wait till the squirrels come back out of the holes. They run up in the trees, in the holes, and hid now. I said, ‘When they come out... I’ll set here and wait.’ Because it was real cold and frosty, and ears burning, and, you know, the—the keen winds coming through the hollows. I said, ‘I’ll just wait till the squirrels come back out.’ No more than set down, until the Holy Spirit said, ‘Rise, and go up in the place that you call ‘Sportsman’s Hollow,’ there I’ll speak with you.’

And I went up into this place that I named ‘Sportsman’s Hollow.’ Because, the reason I named those hollows, myself, so I’d know where I was at. ‘Sportsman’s Hollow’ was because they had... I went in there and saw sixteen squirrels setting on one tree, shot the limit, left the rest of them there, went away (and that’s the sport, the thing to do); so then I call it ‘Sportsman’s Hollow.’ And He referred to me, ‘The place that you called ‘Sportsman’s Hollow,’” not that He called it, but I called it that.

Then I went up at the head of that hollow and set down under a white oak tree and waited about a half hour, and nothing happened. I laid myself on the ground, prostrated myself on the ground, laid my hands out. **Then He spoke to me. And when He did, the Words that He revealed to me, on this very Scripture that we’re coming to this morning, I’d never seen it before, in all my life.**”

*The Revelation of Jesus Christ, December 4, 1960*



Nov. 13, 1960	Condemnation by Representation	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 24, 1960	It Is I	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 25, 1960	Conference	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 26, 1960	Why?	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 27, 1960	It Wasn’t so from the Beginning	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 27, 1960	The Queen of the South	Shreveport, LA





## An Exposition of the Seven Church Ages

In December 1960, Brother Branham embarked on a series of messages unlike any he had preached before. Taking a whole week of services, he laid out in detail a breathtaking doctrine. He explained how each of the seven churches of Asia Minor, depicted in Revelation 1-3, prophesied and paralleled the seven ages of the Gentile church from the time of Paul to the present.

In those sermons, Brother Branham also revealed the names of the seven church age messengers and many other mysteries that had been hidden for hundreds of years. Sister Ruth Sumner volunteered in the time consuming task of transcribing the audio recordings into text format. Finally Brother Lee Vayle put the sermon notes into book form. Over the course of many months Brother Branham read the book or had the book read to him multiple times. He continually improved the text and made additional entries before allowing the book to go to press and be distributed.



“...We have taken upon ourselves to try for the glory of God, to—bring these seven church messages, or Seven Church Ages in seven nights, taking each night an age ... Giving the historical of the original church, and the—and the writers, and the historians, and the angels of that age, and—and the messages, and the run of the church as it’s come down through to this time. And it’s amazing to see how every prediction of that Scripture hits solid with history, just exactly, to the thought of it. It even amazed me so much, till, yesterday, I had read till felt like my eyes were swelling out. And I come out and I said to wife, ‘I have never dreamed of it being that way,’ (See?), how great it was.”

*The Revelation of Jesus Christ, December 4, 1960*



*Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter; The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.*

REVELATION 1:19-20

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The following is a list of the sermons Brother Branham preached on the Seven Church Ages. The sermons in bold built the foundation for Brother Branham’s book titled, *An Exposition of the Seven Church Ages*, which was first released in December 1965.

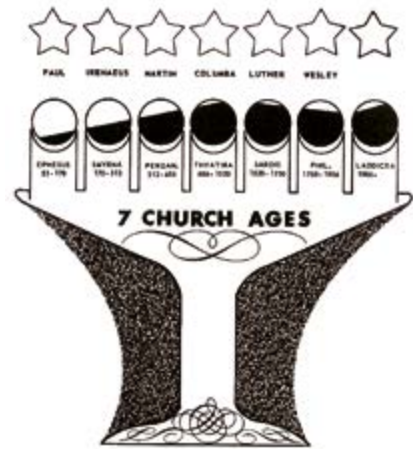


<b>Dec. 4, 1960</b>	<b>The Revelation of Jesus Christ</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
<b>Dec. 4, 1960</b>	<b>The Patmos Vision</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
<b>Dec. 5, 1960</b>	<b>The Ephesian Church Age</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
<b>Dec. 6, 1960</b>	<b>The Smyrnaean Church Age</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
<b>Dec. 7, 1960</b>	<b>The Pergamean Church Age</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
<b>Dec. 8, 1960</b>	<b>The Thyatirean Church Age</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
<b>Dec. 9, 1960</b>	<b>The Sardisean Church Age</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
<b>Dec.10, 1960</b>	<b>The Philadelphian Church Age</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
Dec. 11, 1960	The Ten Virgins, and the Hundred and...	Jeffersonville, IN
<b>Dec.11, 1960</b>	<b>The Laodicean Church Age</b>	<b>Jeffersonville, IN</b>
Dec. 18, 1960	The Uncertain Sound	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 25, 1960	God’s Wrapped Gift	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 31, 1960	Revelation, Chapter Four #1	Jeffersonville, IN

### The Angel of the Lord Confirms Brother Branham's Teachings on the Seven Church Ages

“And, by the way, has anybody ever heard them tapes on the church ages? On the last time I had those ages drawn out there on the blackboard, and the Heavenly Father knows this is true, when I completed it with the best I could, under the inspiration that God would give me, that Angel of the Lord that you see in the picture (Many have seen that picture, haven’t you, that Light?), It came right down in the room, before about three hundred or four hundred people, went right over on the side of the wall, as a Light like that, and drew those church ages by Itself. We all stood there looking at It, watched It draw the first church age, the second, third, and fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh.”

*The Evening Messenger*, January 16, 1963



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Jan. 1, 1961	Revelation, Chapter Four #2	Jeffersonville, IN
Jan. 8, 1961	Revelation, Chapter Four #3	Jeffersonville, IN
Jan. 12, 1961	Questions and Answers	Jeffersonville, IN
Jan. 17, 1961	The Messiah	Shreveport, LA
Jan. 18, 1961	Jesus Christ the Same Yesterday, Today, and ...	Beaumont, TX
Jan. 19, 1961	The Water Baptism	Beaumont, TX
Jan. 19, 1961	Queen of Sheba	Beaumont, TX
Jan. 20, 1961	Things That Wasn't so from the Beginning	Beaumont, TX
Jan. 21, 1961	Mary's Belief	Beaumont, TX
Jan. 22, 1961	As the Eagle Stirs Her Nest	Beaumont, TX

## "The Cup of Iniquities of the Gentiles Isn't Full Yet"



While preaching the message *As the Eagle Stirs Her Nest*, in 1961, Brother Branham recounted a time when he initially felt led to minister to the Jewish people. Brother Branham was in Cairo, Egypt, in September 1954, and felt it might be time for Israel to be exposed to the Elijah ministry. Therefore, he made arrangements to cross over into Israel. Ready to board the plane for Israel, God spoke to him saying, "The cup of iniquities of the Gentiles isn't full yet. The Amorites hasn't been fulfilled. Stay out of there." Brother Branham immediately changed his plans and flew to Greece instead. During history a visit of a prophet of God to Egypt always had a special meaning. For example, Moses came out of Egypt, while Joseph and Mary, with the infant Jesus, fled to Egypt. The timing was simply not right for Brother Branham to leave Egypt and go to Israel.

"Oh, here not long ago, when they were bringing ... Palestine being stirred again, seeing Lewi Pethrus sent down a million New Testaments to those Jews coming up from down in Iran and so forth. And they were reading that New Testament. And they never heard of such a thing as the Lord Jesus being on earth. They'd been down there since the Romans had packed them away. And they said, 'If this be the Messiah, let us see Him do the sign of the prophet. We'll believe it.' Oh, what a setup for the ministry. I took right out. When I got down to Cairo, Egypt, I had my ... Thirty minutes, I'd have been in Palestine. And something struck me, and I went out behind a hangar. Said, 'The hour is not yet.' I returned back, and went to Greece, then on over into India."

*As the Eagle Stirs Her Nest*, January 22, 1961



Jan. 23, 1961	Be Not Afraid, It Is I	Beaumont, TX
Jan. 24, 1961	Blind Bartimaeus	Beaumont, TX
Jan. 25, 1961	Why?	Beaumont, TX
Jan. 28, 1961	Why?	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 29, 1961	Turning Northward	Phoenix, AZ
Feb. 5, 1961	Expectation	Tucson, AZ
Feb. 5, 1961	Jesus Christ the Same Yesterday, Today, and ...	Tucson, AZ
Feb. 7, 1961	Expectation	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 8, 1961	Sirs, We Would See Jesus	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 9, 1961	Jehovah-Jireh	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 10, 1961	Abraham's Covenant Confirmed	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 11, 1961	Abraham	Long Beach, CA

## General Superintendent Draws Brother Branham Out of Their Circle

“A certain organization the other day, because that I let another minister set on the platform that didn’t belong to their organization, he said, ‘We have drawn a line. We have drawn you out of it, Brother Branham, out of, out of our circle.’ I said, ‘I’m drawing another one, so big ... take you back in again.’ I said, ‘So you just can’t push me out.’ That’s right. ‘I’ll draw a line right over the top of yours and take you right back.’ See?”

*Expectation*, February 5, 1961



*Left to right: Brother Henry Carlson, chairman of the Chicago Chapter of the Full Gospel Men's Fellowship, Brother Branham, and the Evangelist Tommy Hicks*



## "Because Thou Hast Chosen"

On February 11, 1961, Brother Branham preached for a Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International meeting in California. He preached hard against sin and showed the churches they were rejecting Christ. This was not an easy message to bring! At the end of this meeting, a young Baptist man named Danny Henry approached him. He shook his hand and embraced Brother Branham; and as he did so, Danny Henry began to prophesy over Brother Branham in a relatively unknown French dialect, although he did not speak French. Three people, a French woman from Louisiana, a Frenchman by the name of Victor Le Doux from California, and a French interpreter for the United Nations, simultaneously wrote down the translation. All three versions were in agreement, even the punctuation was similar.



*The private room at Clifton's Cafeteria in LA, California, where Danny Henry prophesied over William Branham.*



*Danny Henry*

"Look here in California the other day. I think I can find it here; here it is. I was at Clifton's Cafeteria, the breakfast. And there a Baptist brother ... After I got through just tearing the churches to pieces, telling them how they were doing evil, and the things they were doing, rejecting God. This Baptist brother come up here to put his arms around me to pray. And when he did, he started speaking like in tongues. When he ... Now, he's a Baptist, knowed nothing about it. When he got through, he said..."

*The True Easter Seal, April 2, 1961*

**"Because thou has chosen the narrow path, the harder way, thou has walked of thy own choosing.' Now, I can understand that. Moses had to walk of his own choosing. He didn't have to. But he—he made his decision. That was my decision to stay with the Word, regardless of what it done. See? I ... 'Thou has did this by your own choosing. Thou has picked the correct and precise decision, and it is My way.' Thanks be to God. 'Because of this momentous decision, a huge portion of heaven awaits thee.' Now, this man never knowed nothing about this vision, 'cause I'd just had it a few days before that. See? 'What a glorious decision thou has made. This in itself is that which will give and make come to pass the tremendous victory in the love divine.'"**

*The Uncertain Sound, April 29, 1961*



*By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.*

HEBREWS 11: 24-26

→ *Find more information in the Appendix, page 197*



Feb. 12, 1961	Jehovah-Jireh	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 12, 1961	And Thy Seed Shall Possess the Gates of ...	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 13, 1961	It Is I, Be Not Afraid	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 14, 1961	The Basis of Fellowship	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 15, 1961	Thou Son of David, Have Mercy on Me	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 16, 1961	The Mark of the Beast and the Seal of God #1	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 17, 1961	The Mark of the Beast and the Seal of God #2	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 18, 1961	Balm in Gilead	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 19, 1961	The Queen of Sheba	Long Beach, CA
Feb. 24, 1961	Be Not Afraid	Tulare, CA
Feb. 26, 1961	Jehovah-Jireh	Tulare, CA
Mar. 5, 1961	Beyond the Curtain of Time	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 8, 1961	Expectations	Richmond, VA
Mar. 11, 1961	Be Not Afraid	Richmond, VA
Mar. 12, 1961	Jehovah-Jireh	Richmond, VA
Mar. 15, 1961	An Uncertain Sound	Middletown, OH
Mar. 16, 1961	The Church Choosing Law for Grace	Middletown, OH
Mar. 17, 1961	Abraham's Grace Covenant	Middletown, OH
Mar. 18, 1961	Abraham's Covenant Confirmed	Middletown, OH
Mar. 19, 1961	Jezebel Religion	Middletown, OH
Apr. 2, 1961	The True Easter Seal	Jeffersonville, IN
Apr. 9, 1961	Sirs, We Would See Jesus	Bloomington, IL
Apr. 10, 1961	Conferences	Bloomington, IL
Apr. 11, 1961	But It Wasn't so from the Beginning	Bloomington, IL
Apr. 12, 1961	A Greater Than Solomon Is Here	Bloomington, IL



April  
12, 1961

## Soviet Cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin - the First Human Being in Space



“Russia only received her place in the world, in science, no more than about forty years ago. You know when the First World War come on, they never—they ignored Russia. Brother Roy, it was just a bunch of ignoramuses, big old Siberians, a beard all over their face, and didn’t know right and left hand. That’s right: Russia. But she recognized her place. She had to do it to fulfill the Scripture. You know my prophecies of what I said would happen, how all of them would gather in communism.



Now, she leads the world in science. We’re way back behind her. All the rest of the world is behind her. She leads her place. She just recognized she had some brains too. Notice. Man has the same six senses he had six thousand years ago. Six thousand years ago with the senses he had he contacted his earthly home and served God. And now, in the past seventy-five years, that man has come from a horse and buggy to an astronaut. Why? He turned away from his faith in God, and turned it over to his senses, and his ability as a human being. Did you notice it? He quit trusting God; he trusts himself.”

*Recognizing Your Day and Its Message*, July 26, 1964



Apr. 13, 1961	Why?	Bloomington, IL
Apr. 14, 1961	Be Not Afraid, It Is I	Bloomington, IL
Apr. 15, 1961	From That Time	Bloomington, IL
Apr. 15, 1961	The Uncertain Sound	Bloomington, IL
Apr. 16, 1961	Abraham and His Seed After Him	Bloomington, IL
Apr. 23, 1961	Abraham and His Seed After Him	Chicago, IL
Apr. 24, 1961	The Greatest News Flash in History	Chicago, IL
Apr. 25, 1961	The Godhead Explained	Chicago, IL
Apr. 25, 1961	The Forgotten Beatitude	Chicago, IL
Apr. 26, 1961	Micaiah the Prophet	Chicago, IL
Apr. 27, 1961	Only Believe	Chicago, IL
Apr. 28, 1961	Getting in the Spirit	Chicago, IL
Apr. 29, 1961	One of the Meanest Men in Town	Chicago, IL
Apr. 29, 1961	The Uncertain Sound	Chicago, IL
Apr. 30, 1961	Super Sign	Chicago, IL



## "They've Got a Trap Set for You"

Most ministers disagreed with the teaching of Brother Branham. In April 1961, a group of ministers attempted to discredit him by setting a trap for him at a convention of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International. But the LORD battled for His servant....

"You know, in Chicago, when we stood before them, about three hundred and fifty preachers. You women here from Chicago; you were there, heard about it. The Lord told me three nights before. Said, 'They're going to set a trap for you.' Said, 'Stand at the window here, I'll show you.' Said, 'Mr. Carlson and--and Tommy Hicks will meet you tomorrow morning and want to go to breakfast. And you tell Tommy to stay.' But said, 'Here's the way it will look: Tell them that they're not going to have that meeting in the place they're thinking about. They're going to be in another place.' Said, 'Don't you fear; I'll be with you.' That's good enough for me."



William Branham and Tommy Hicks

*Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?* December 30, 1962



*At my first answer no man stood with me, but all men forsook me: I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge. Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.*

II TIMOTHY 4:16-17



May 15, 1961	A Greater Than Solomon Is Here	Grande Prairie, AB
May 16, 1961	God's Provided Way	Grande Prairie, AB
May 16, 1961	Jesus Christ the Same Yesterday, Today, and ...	Grande Prairie, AB
May 17, 1961	It Is I	Grande Prairie, AB
May 19, 1961	Sirs, We Would See Jesus	Dawson Creek, BC
May 20, 1961	From That Time	Dawson Creek, BC
May 21, 1961	Show Us the Father	Dawson Creek, BC





## Disappointed - Brother Branham Thought of Leaving the Ministry

On June 11, 1961, Brother Branham preached the message *Revelation, Chapter Five #1*. In that message, for the first time in his ministry, he said he wanted to leave the field. Certain groups began focusing on William Branham the man saying he was deity. They even formed small cults around him. Brother Branham was disgusted and horrified that, after spending so many years trying to point people to the one true God, these people would make him an antichrist.

A parallel can be drawn between this situation with Brother Branham and the story of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the Book of Daniel. King Nebuchadnezzar had become so enthralled with the prophet Daniel, he wanted the people to worship Daniel. Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego knew the Word and refused to bow to the king's statue. Like the misguided people trying to worship Brother Branham, King Nebuchadnezzar placed too much emphasis on the prophet and forgot to worship the source of the message. Brother Branham stressed he was their brother, not their god. Only when people came to him to apologize did he agree to return to the ministry.



*And when the people saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in the speech of Lycaonia, The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men. And they called Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius, because he was the chief speaker. Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people. Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out, And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:*

ACTS 14:11-15



Jun. 11, 1961	Revelation, Chapter Five #1	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 18, 1961	Revelation, Chapter Five #2	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 23, 1961	The Ever-Present Water from the Rock	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 23, 1961	God Being Misunderstood	Jeffersonville, IN

## Seventy Weeks of Daniel

After looking back through the church ages, it seemed like the end time had dawned upon planet earth. Brother Branham preached a series on the Seven Seals three years after he preached the Church Ages. But knowing that the true Church of God and the people of Israel are closely connected, according to Romans 11, he knew that he had to first preach about the Seventy weeks of Daniel before he could approach the Seven Seals. So, in the Daniel series, the prophet describes the events of the present and future time concerning the Jews.



“... We must stop and explain before we go further. We must stop and explain why these seventy of weeks, ‘cause if you don’t you’ll miss those Seals, you’ll miss those Trumpets, you’ll miss those vials, those plagues, those three unclean spirits like frogs, those three woes, the casting out of the red dragon, the woman in the sun. You’ll miss it all if you don’t, (...)”

*Gabriel’s Instructions to Daniel, July 30, 1961*



Jul. 30, 1961	Gabriel’s Instructions to Daniel	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 30, 1961	The Sixfold Purpose of Gabriel’s Visit ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 6, 1961	The Seventieth Week of Daniel	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 8, 1961	Thy House	Tifton, GA
Aug. 13, 1961	Faith	Jeffersonville, IN

August  
13, 1961

## The Berlin Wall Shocks the World



East Berliners awakened on the morning of August 13, 1961, to find a wall separating them from the free world. The wall, 96 miles or 155 km of barbed wire and steel posts, became the symbol of the Cold War. Families were separated, jobs were lost, and lives drastically changed as West Berlin became a symbol of freedom from the growing influence of communism.

The Cold War now had a very real symbol of the major division between communism and bondage in the East and democracy and freedom in the West. Brother Branham commented on the Berlin Wall in March 1962.

“If they give ... the eastern part of Berlin back, that puts communism just, or I mean the Roman empire, just exactly in the old circle it was in the time of Jesus. Certainly it does, perfectly.”

*The End-Time Sign Seed, March 19, 1962*



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## "Jehovah of the Old Testament Is Jesus of the New"



One cold, rainy day Brother Branham was hunting for squirrels and was not confident he would find anything to shoot, due to the weather, when he noticed a light from the top of a hill. As it was not in the position where the sun should have been, he walked toward the light and saw what appeared to be three rainbows pouring into one bowl-like object. They pulsed and grew. He took off his hat and laid his gun down as he began to walk, arms raised, closer to the light when he sensed he had gone close enough. Brother Branham was so overcome by the beauty of the rainbows that he shouted, "O God, what would You have Your servant know?" The answer was, "Jesus of the New Testament is Jehovah of the Old. He only changed His mask from Spirit to man."

This confirmed what he had been teaching for 31 years. As the rainbows grew smaller, they retained the shape of a light he had seen a year earlier, and it was in line with the tree he had been sitting in when the Lord told him to speak squirrels into existence. He walked to the same tree and said, "Lord God, You are still the same Jesus. You are still God." To this the Lord answered, "How many do you need this time?" Brother Branham was able to set the number of squirrels he wanted, ask that no mosquitos bother him and that the sun would shine. All of his conditions were met by 10:00 a.m. Once again, the Lord was showing him the power of the Spoken Word.

"And I looked again, and there it was, growing taller and taller, three rainbows. I took off my hat. I set down my gun. I started walking towards it with my hands up. Something just seemed to tell me, 'This is close enough.' I was going to set down and take off my boots that I had on, to see if I could walk a little closer. But I got within a few yards of it, and I seen the color of it, misting like a fog moving around. I stood still for a few moments. It was coming right out of the top of the little mountain. And I watched, as the three (one to the right, one to the left, and one in the center) running down into one bowl like ... Ever what it was, was alive. It was moving and making Its motions. And I stood there just as it was graying dawn.

I turned and looked again, and I screamed out, 'O God, what would You have Your servant know?' Just then the Spirit of the Lord came in and said, 'Jesus of the New Testament is Jehovah of the Old, He only changed His mask from Spirit to man.' That was confirming, of course, my message of Him, letting me know, assured that these thirty-one years hasn't been in vain."

*Message of Grace, August 27, 1961*



Aug. 27, 1961

The Message of Grace

Jeffersonville, IN

Sep. 3, 1961

Let Your Light so Shine Before Men

Jeffersonville, IN



## *Vision About the Caribou and the Silver-Tipped Grizzly*

Around mid-summer of 1961, Brother Branham received a vision from God concerning a hunting trip in Canada, where he would kill two great animals: a caribou with a 42" rack, and a very large silver-tipped grizzly he would kill with a small caliber rifle at close range. The vision was fulfilled later in September 1961.



Brother Ed Byskal, an eye witness to these amazing events, is still alive today. He was with Brother Branham on that hunting trip and testifies the vision was fulfilled exactly as Brother Branham had described it to him prior to the event. Brother Branham shared the experience with the church when he returned to Jeffersonville.



Oct. 1, 1961	It Becometh Us to Fulfill All Righteousness	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 1, 1961	The Comforter	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 15, 1961	Questions and Answers	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 15, 1961	Respects	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 5, 1961	The Testimony of a True Witness	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 12, 1961	A True Sign That's Overlooked	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 19, 1961	Perfect Strength by Perfect Weakness	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 10, 1961	Paradox	Jeffersonville, IN



## "You Must Be More Sincere!"

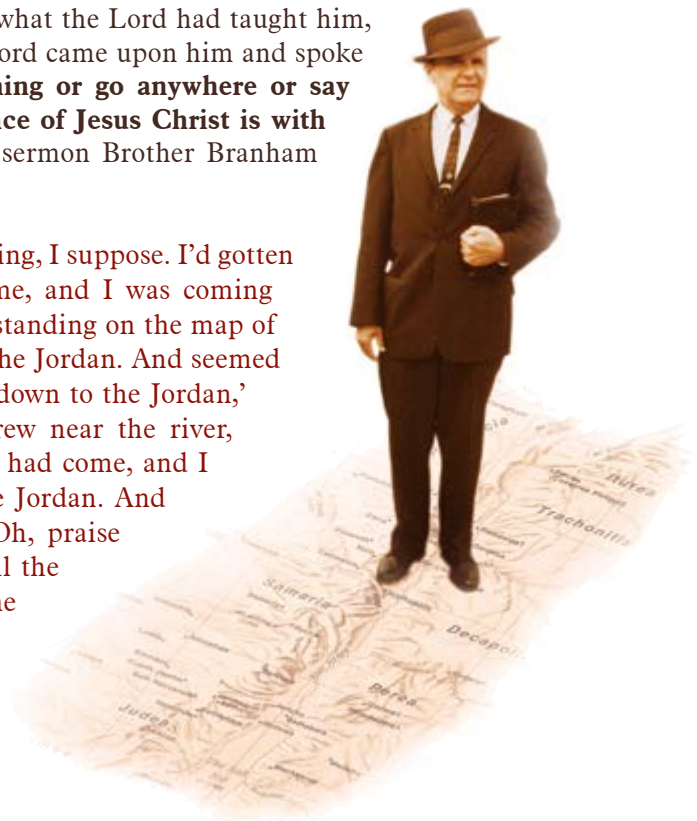
In the message, *Paradox*, Brother Branham spoke about a vision he saw involving a black mamba snake. **Brother Branham said he was standing on a map of Palestine going down to the Jordan River.** Then he was lifted to a roadway and saw people running away from where he was walking and wondered what scared them. Next, Brother Branham heard a sound in the tall grass by the road.

When he looked, he saw it was an angry mamba snake coming at him. According to Brother Branham, the mamba is the most dangerous and most poisonous of all snakes. One bite can cause death within minutes. While he was meditating on the vision, a Voice came to him and explained: "There's such danger in these days. There's a great hideous thing that's death when it strikes you." In the vision, the mamba, representing the "great hideous thing," could not hurt Brother Branham, but could harm others. Every time the mamba charged at him, it would come up fast, and then get slower as it came closer, finally stopping, and then moving back. When the mamba saw it could not hurt him, it turned and charged at Brother Branham's friend. Seeing this, Brother Branham cried, "Oh, God, have mercy on my brother." The Voice replied saying, "You have been given power to bind him..." There was a condition accompanying the power and it was, "**You must be more sincere...**" At the end of the vision, Brother Branham bound the serpent, and it crystallized into the form of an ampersand.

The following day the Lord allowed Brother Branham to see and hear a demon taunting him. Remembering what the Lord had taught him, he bound Satan and the Spirit of the Lord came upon him and spoke these words, "**Don't fear to do anything or go anywhere or say anything, for the never-failing presence of Jesus Christ is with you wherever you go.**" In that same sermon Brother Branham testified of yet another vision:

"It was about three o'clock in the morning, I suppose. I'd gotten up, and I looked where in front of me, and I was coming down to the Jordan: looked like I was standing on the map of Palestine. And I was coming down to the Jordan. And seemed like I could hear the song, 'I'm going down to the Jordan,' someone was singing it. And as I drew near the river, I looked back and seen which a way I had come, and I was two-thirds of the way there to the Jordan. And I looked across Jordan, and I said, 'Oh, praise God, just on the other side is where all the promises lay. Every promise lays in the promised land.'"

*Paradox*, December 10, 1961





Canaan always represented Israel's dwelling place, the place where all the promises lay. Brother Branham mentions different times, since the year 1952, how his ministry would parallel not only the ministry of Moses, "The calling out of Egypt," but also the ministry of Joshua, "The entering into promised land."

"When Israel left Egypt, there was approximately two million people left at the same time. Every one of them heard the message of a prophet. Every one of them saw the Pillar of Fire. Every one of them was baptized to Moses in the Red Sea. Every one of them shouted in the Spirit, beat the tambourines, and run up-and-down the bank with Miriam, when Moses sang in the Spirit. They every one drank from the same spiritual Rock. They every one eat fresh Manna every night, every one of them. But there was two made the land: one out of a million.

What was the test? They all drink in the same Rock; they all eat the same spiritual Manna as we're eating this morning; but the Word test proved them. When it come to the time of Kadesh-barnea, when they started over into the promised land, and they could not go over till they was tested by the Word... And all the-the other ten came back and said, 'We can't make it. The people are like... We're like grasshoppers to them, their great walled city. The opposition's too great.' But Joshua and Caleb stilled the people. They said, 'We're more than able to do it.' Why? God said before they left the promised land, 'I've given you the land. I've give it to you. It's yours.' But there were one out of each million."

*One in a Million*, April 24, 1965



*And the children of Israel encamped in Gilgal, and kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the month at even in the plains of Jericho. And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched [corn] in the selfsame day. And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more; but they did eat of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.*

*And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, [Art] thou for us, or for our adversaries?*

JOSHUA 5:10-13

December 15, 1961

## Adolf Eichmann Is Sentenced to Death



The young Adolf Eichmann

At the end of World War II, Adolf Eichmann was arrested and confined to an American internment camp where he managed to escape unrecognized. He eventually fled to Argentina and lived for ten years under the assumed name of Ricardo Klement, until Israeli Mossad agents abducted him to stand trial in Jerusalem in 1960. For four months the trial of Adolf Eichmann dominated Israeli life. For most people, Eichmann’s guilt was never in doubt. The real question was how to punish one man who had caused the deaths of millions. In December 1961, Adolf Eichmann was found guilty of horrendous war crimes and was proven to be one of the main perpetrators of the Holocaust. He was sentenced to death by hanging May 31, 1962.

Eichmann made his final speech on the gallows: *“Long live Germany! Long live Austria! Long live Argentina! I owe a lot to these countries and I shall not forget them. I had to obey the rules of war and of my flag!”* No grave would mark his life, and more importantly, he would have no resting place in Israel. His ashes were scattered in the Mediterranean Sea, in international waters.

“And those souls that’s been martyred now down through here, real true Jews down through there, they’d their name on the Book, that lived the right life, and done the right thing, lived Judaism to the dot; and they were martyred by Eichmann and many others. Honest people, millions of them down there and them Germans shot them to death, and murdered them, and killed them, and hung them on fences, and burned them up, and cremated them and everything else.”



Adolf Eichmann – Court Case in Israel

*The Fifth Seal*, March 22, 1963



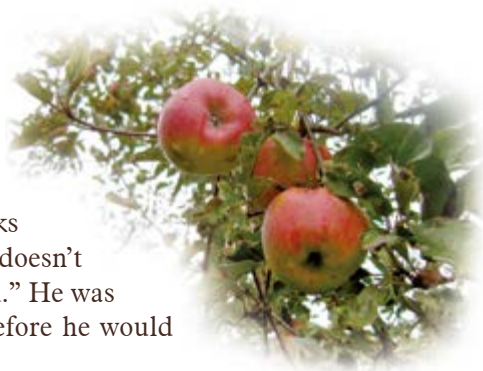
Dec. 17, 1961	Christianity Versus Idolatry	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 24, 1961	Sirs, We Would See Jesus	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 31, 1961	You Must Be Born Again	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 31, 1961	If God Be With Us, Then Where Is All the ...	Jeffersonville, IN



Jan. 17, 1962	Presuming	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 18, 1962	Convinced Then Concerned	Tempe, AZ
Jan. 19, 1962	An Ensign	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 20, 1962	The Unchangeable God Working in an ...	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 21, 1962	And Thy Seed Shall Possess the Gate of His ...	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 21, 1962	The Marriage of the Lamb	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 22, 1962	Confirmation of the Commission	Tempe, AZ
Jan. 23, 1962	Forsaking All	Tempe, AZ
Jan. 24, 1962	Have Not I Sent Thee?	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 27, 1962	Meanest Man I Know	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 28, 1962	Unbelief Does Not Hinder God	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 28, 1962	A Paradox	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 29, 1962	Explaining the Ministry	Phoenix, AZ

## God's Grace for the Individual

While hunting squirrels in Kentucky, Brother Branham described a visit to an old man. Brother Banks Wood described him as an infidel and said, “He just doesn’t believe in God; and he curses the very thoughts of God.” He was a “doubting Thomas” who wanted to see a miracle before he would believe in God.



The old man recounted a story of an old woman dying of cancer who had been healed when a minister at a healing campaign said, “THUS SAITH THE LORD. Take that handkerchief right now that you have in your pocketbook, that you put in your pocketbook when you left home, and took it out of a top dresser drawer—a little handkerchief with initial in the corner of it, white handkerchief with a blue initial. Take that handkerchief and lay it on the woman in the Name of the Lord.” And said, “‘She’ll get well.’ Honest, it’s three miles nearly over there,” and said, “we thought they had the Salvation Army on that hillside around ten o’clock one night.”

Then he told them, “We went over there the next morning, and the old lady was up cooking breakfast, eating fried apple pies for breakfast. That’s been two or three years ago. You know, she hasn’t even had a sick day since.” He said, “Now, if I could see something like that happen.” He then told Brother Branham of his dislike for ministers who he said were barking up the wrong tree, because they talked about God but could never produce God. Brother Branham spied an apple laying on the ground and said, in the sermon *A Paradox*:

“Sir, tell me what intelligence tells that sap to leave the tree, and go down to the roots for the winter. Now, you set a bucket of water on the post out there, and see if the middle of August, the water will start going down to the bottom of the post.’ I said, ‘The tree has no intelligence. It doesn’t know the season. It has no intelligence. Yet, there is an intelligence somewhere that sends that tree back to preserve its life.’ He said, ‘I hadn’t thought of that like that.’ I said, ‘Then you see it right here in your yard. Why would you want to see that preacher then, when you see it right here?’ I said, ‘The same Intelligence that told me that that woman’s sister was dying with cancer (and in a vision I saw her healed), that same Intelligence is so close to you till it controls the tree that’s setting in your yard.’ Raised up and shook my hand. I led him to Christ that afternoon. He died about a year later.”

*A Paradox*, January 28, 1962

Another example of God’s love for the individual was a time when Brother Branham’s plane was forced to land in Memphis, Tennessee, because of a storm. To everyone else, it probably looked like nothing more than bad weather. But God cared so much about a simple woman’s prayer that He grounded Brother Branham’s plane in order to reach her. Brother Branham was directed to walk down the streets of a poor neighborhood and found a woman standing at her gate waiting for “the Parson.” Doctors sent her son home to die of syphilis, but she was not willing to accept his death while his soul remained unsaved. Touched by this mother’s faith, the Lord used Brother Branham to heal her son. The young man later committed his life to follow Jesus.

“I—I went to sleep, and I dreamed a dream. ‘She said, ‘And I said to the Lord’, said, ‘You give me the baby.’ And said, **‘I was like the Shunammite woman, but where is Your prophet?’** And said, He said, ‘Look, coming here.’ And I seen a man with a little hat sitting on the side of his head, wearing that gray suit, coming down the street.’ And said, ‘That was about four o’clock this morning.’ She said, ‘I have been standing here ever since.’ He is still God. He answers on both ends.”

*God Has A Provided Lamb*, June 20, 1964



*And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which He hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.*

JOHN 6:39

## *Prayer for a Stolen Station Wagon*



“And then, they consulted one another. They didn’t know what to do, and they said, ‘Let’s go up to Brother Branham.’

They come up there at the house. I said, ‘Well, I don’t know. We’ll just pray.’ Now, you might think this would be wrong. But getting down, praying, I cannot make it happen. God has to do it. I don’t control it; it controls me. See? Then I saw the car on the road, going towards Bowling Green. A young fellow was driving it. He was dressed with an overall jacket on, had a brown tie. I started praying just as the vision was. The man turned himself around in the road. The man had

been a Christian, and the Holy Spirit stopped him, turned him around, and I saw him where he parked the car. Told Mr. Evans, ‘Go to such and such a place, and you’ll find your car there. And you just filled your tank up.’ ‘Yes.’ ‘It’ll be about half empty, because he’s drove about a hundred miles in it.’ Mr. Evans turned around, went out of the place. I held him there for a while until the vision could be brought to pass. Mr. Evans, on his road out to Mr. Sothmann’s. Right on the side of the street, coming from Louisville, all the way over to Jeffersonville, across the river, parked the car right in that place, and it was setting there with the keys in it, ready. Is that right, Mr. Evans? See, prayer. I want to tell you, you don’t have to see a vision. But just pray. See? The Holy Spirit convicted the man and turned him around.”

*Explaining the Ministry*, January 29, 1962



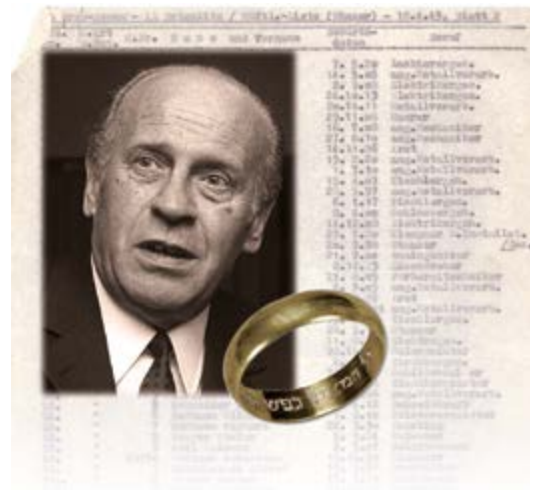
*So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they cut down wood. But as one was felling a beam, the axe head fell into the water: and he cried, and said, Alas, master! for it was borrowed. And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place. And he cut down a stick, and cast it in thither; and the iron did swim. Therefore said he, Take it up to thee. And he put out his hand, and took it.*

II KINGS 6:4-7

## *He Who Saves One Soul Saves the Whole World*



It was no coincidence that, as Adolf Eichmann was undergoing his war crimes trial in 1961, Oskar Schindler was visiting Israel for the first time. Schindler was one of the great heroes of World War II because of the number of Jewish people saved from death through his efforts. In 1962, Schindler planted a tree at Yad Vashem. The planting of the tree recognized him as a “Righteous Gentile.” He was also given a ring by some of the Jewish prisoners that was inscribed, **“He who saves one soul, has saved the whole world.”** Only a few days after Oskar Schindler was honored, Adolf Eichmann was hanged for his crimes. The law of contrasts was clearly shown here. Schindler was quoted as saying, “I knew the people who worked for me ... When you know people, you have to behave toward them like human beings.” After a series of failed business ventures, Schindler was supported by the families of Jewish survivors he had saved during World War II. Schindler’s request to be buried in Jerusalem was granted and he is the only member of the Nazi Party to be buried there. Hundreds of stones have been placed on the top of his grave indicating a sign of gratitude from the Jewish visitors.



→ *Find more information in the Appendix, page 214*

# Five Planets Signal a Change



“We see that the astronomers are predicting, sometime in this early part or the first part of the month, beginning on the second or the fifth, or somewhere along this month, the Indian astronomers predict the world to blow to pieces. And the American newspapers make fun of it. I do not believe the world’s going to blow to pieces, but I do say it’s wrong to make fun of it.

Because something’s fixing to happen one of these days, something similar to that, when the five planets, Mars, Jupiter, and Venus, and—and so forth comes into their—their ... They never have did it. Oh, they claim maybe twenty-five thousand years ago, but who was back there to know it? I predict that this has a spiritual application. I believe it’s the coming in of the issue of God, that the great revelations of the Word will be opened during this time. Remember, they claim it was three stars came into their orbit when Jesus was born.”

*Communion*, February 4, 1962



*Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.*

MATTHEW 2:1-2



Feb. 4, 1962	Communion	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 11, 1962	Oneness	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 18, 1962	Perseverance	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 11, 1962	The Greatest Battle Ever Fought	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 13, 1962	Expressions	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 18, 1962	The Spoken Word Is the Original Seed	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 19, 1962	The End-Time Sign Seed	Tifton, GA
Apr. 1, 1962	Wisdom Versus Faith	Jeffersonville, IN

## "Pick Up Your Pen"

A few days before he preached *The Spoken Word Is the Original Seed*, Brother Branham was deep into extensive preparation when the Lord revealed to Brother Branham how He expected His Bride to manifest. The Holy Spirit told him to pick up his pen and write. The Bride of Christ would be born of the seed of the Word. She would follow Him and remain pure, not allowing man-breathed creeds to pollute the womb of her mind. Brother Branham challenged the Bride to remain steadfast in her love for her Husband. She must remain untouched by denominations and their doctrine. She is to be a Word Bride who believes the Word of God when others around her ridicule her and force her out. She is to continue the works of Christ with unwavering faith, knowing He is working in her to accomplish what He says in His Word. The full text of what Brother Branham wrote went on for several pages.

"I got a place here, where I got so in the Spirit. I was... I got the church up, to show it and prove it in the Word here, exactly what's happened, all along. And then when I did, I thought, 'Lord, I got the people standing here now. I'll have them standing there. What can I tell them? I can't predict a future. I can't tell them what to do. What will I do? I'll leave them standing on a limb.' I raised up my hand, I said, 'God, I think I'm doing this by Your will. I've never did this, never did before, **'cause the Seed hadn't been sowed yet.'** I said, 'Now I've got... I-I believe it's time for me to say it. But, now, what am I going to say now?'"

And just as plain as you hear my voice, something said, 'Pick up your pen.' I'll read it to you in a minute. And when I got through, there it was, just the answer. I didn't even know what I was writing, just started writing. And when I got through, I laid the pen down. I looked; I thought, 'God have mercy; there it is, right there. That's what I'm looking for.' Now, there's some things I had to bypass. We'll get to it in a little bit, the Lord willing. See?

All the Old Testament was types that point to Christ and His church. You believe Adam and Eve pointed to Christ and His church? You believe Jehovah and His Wife pointed to Christ and His church? Well, if they are—are—are types and this is the antetype, it has to be like the type, 'cause the type takes from the—from the... The antetype takes from the type. Christ is the Head, the true Stone of God (Do you believe that?), the true Word. The Bride is the Body. You want some Scriptures on these, so you can look them up? (I—I was going to read the Scriptures, but I won't.) First Peter 2:1-6; Ephesians 5:22; (See?) I Peter 2:1-6; Ephesians 5:23. Read that chapter, both of them in there. See?"

*The Spoken Word Is the Original Seed,*  
March 18, 1962





## History of... What Is a Vision?

Visions are one way God makes Himself known to His prophets, but there are different kinds of visions. When Moses returned from a visitation in heaven, he pitched a tent and made it just exactly like the one he was shown in the vision.

Many times Biblical prophecies have a **compound meaning** and some visions are **literal in nature** (the death of Marilyn Monroe, seven major visions, a vision of the boy raised in Finland). Other visions are **prophetic visions** concerning time (Nebuchadnezzar's dream, Daniel, Chapter 2, etc.), and some are **spiritual visions** (Store up the Food, Mamba Snake, Behind the Curtain of Time, Preview of the Bride, Paul's Macedonian Call).

However, most visions are **symbolic visions** carrying a spiritual meaning (seven candlesticks, seven stars, Peter's vision of the unclean animals, Pharaoh's vision of the seven cows). In fact, the whole Book of Revelation is a book of symbols and, as the Word of God is of no private interpretation, it takes a prophet to unveil the meaning behind the symbol. To take a symbolic vision literally can lead to fatal mistakes.

“Well, as soon as he went around the curvature of the earth, I seen a black something coming up, like a black moon. And I looked, and it got closer; it was a—a man, solid black, dressed in black. He was slipping along, looking like this. And he had a seed sack, only in there he had weeds. And he was sowing them amongst this wheat like that, throwing it first one way and the other.

And behind him come up weeds, thistles, thorns, briars, and everything. Well, I thought, ‘That is a shame for that man to do a thing like that.’ In a vision, I wasn't thinking of it being Scriptural. See? And I said, ‘That man's sowing them weeds in that man's wheat field.’

Then it got real hot. The little wheat held its head over and going ‘huh, huh, huh’ like that, just panting like this for breath. The little weed had his head over, ‘huh, huh, huh,’ he was panting for water too. Everybody prayed for the rain. After while it got ... A great thunder cloud come up and just rained all down, and when it did, the rain struck the earth. And the little wheat begin to jump up-and-down, hollering, ‘Hallelujah. Praise the Lord. Hallelujah. Praise the Lord.’ And the little weeds a-hollering, ‘Praise the Lord,’ straightened right up, the life come to the weed just the same as to the wheat. And then the Scripture come, **‘The rain falls on the just and the unjust.’ There I caught it. See?**”

*God Being Misunderstood, July 23, 1961*

“And just then He picked me up. And He took me up and set me way up high to where a meeting was going on, looked like a tent or a cathedral of some sort. And I looked, and there was a little box-like, little place over in the side.

And I seen that Light was talking to somebody above me, that Light that you see there on the picture. It whirled away from me, like that, and went over to that tent, and said, ‘I’ll meet you there.’ And said, ‘This will be the Third Pull, and you won’t tell it to nobody.’

And in Sabino Canyon, He said, ‘This is the Third Pull.’ And there’s three great things that goes with it, and one unfolded today, or yesterday, the other one unfolded today, and there’s one thing that I cannot interpret, because it’s in an unknown language. But I was standing right there and looked right straight at it, and this is the Third Pull coming up. And the Holy Spirit of God ... Oh, my. That’s the reason all heaven was silent.”

*The Seventh Seal, March 24, 1963*

“How He could stand there and say, ‘This day this Scripture is fulfilled right before your eyes!’ How outstanding, how so plainly, and yet those people misunderstood. Why? Is because they took the interpretation of some order of priests that they were listening to. And history always repeats itself. **And Scripture has a compound meaning to It, and a compound revelation.**

For instance, like it says in the Bible, that, ‘Out of Egypt I have called my son,’ referring to Jesus. Run the margin on that, and you find out, also referred to Jacob, same Scripture. Jesus was His greater Son. Jacob was His son that He called out of Egypt, which the Scofield reference and all other references give to it, because that’s the Scripture it was referring to. So it had a—a double answer; it had an answer to Jacob called out, and to Jesus called out.

And so is it today! Is because that we’re in such a turmoil as we are, and people fail to see the Truth of God, is because there is too many man-made interpretations of God’s Word. God don’t need nobody to interpret His Word. He is His Own interpreter.”

*This Day This Scripture Is Fulfilled, February 19, 1965*

## "Store Up the Food"

"Do the work of an evangelist." That was the first commission the Angel of the Lord gave Brother Branham. After meeting Him face to face in 1946, Brother Branham worked extensively to fulfill that commission. He traveled around the world presenting the living Jesus Christ to people of all nations, colors and tongues. A change in that commission came in 1962 while Brother Branham was planning one last global preaching tour. In a dream, the Angel of the Lord told him not to pursue this plan, but rather to stay home and to "store in the food." In the message *Wisdom Versus Faith*, Brother Branham explained that the dream meant he was to minister the Word to the people, rather than focusing on evangelism and healing.

"I was standing right here. And I was calling in great barrels of the prettiest food I ever seen: radishes, looked like, three-foot long; and turnips, and greens, and potatoes, and everything. He said, 'Store in plenty of it.' (...) Now, what are we doing—trying to do this morning? Follow what the Lord said, 'Lay up food.' You're going to need it one of these days..."

*Wisdom Versus Faith*, April 1, 1962

Subsequently Brother Branham delivered one precious message after another.



Apr. 7, 1962	The Signs of His Coming	Cleveland, TN
Apr. 8, 1962	Presuming	Cleveland, TN
Apr. 22, 1962	The Restoration of the Bride Tree	Jeffersonville, IN
May 6, 1962	Possessing All Things	Jeffersonville, IN





## Miracle of the Exploding Gun



“Then we return back. And I don’t know where I have time to get it, another day at the tabernacle, or not, before we go then up to North Carolina. And then, from there, to South Carolina. And then all the way over to the Cow Palace in Los Angeles, at South Gate. And there is where I hope to get to go and see Mr. Weatherby, the one that made the rifle that the shell exploded in. He didn’t have the head space backed off too much, and let the shell push back instead of go forward. It was an old rifle I just sent to him.

He had it bored out, then, and made into a different kind of a rifle. I put the shell in it, raised up to shoot, and it, well, it blew the gun fifty yards around me, like that, melted in my hand.

The barrel went out on the fifty yard line, the bolt went plumb back behind the deer cage, thirty, forty yards behind me, and pieces of shrapnel flew and knocked bark off trees and everything else. So that was that close to my eye, just about one inch, where it went off like that. And if it had blow... And that gun will stand sixty-nine hundred pounds of pressure, itself, without blowing. So you can imagine how much was on it, to do that. And remember, if it’ll blow that, it could have blown my head and shoulders too, you see. But there was the Lord standing there, that didn’t even let it hurt me, just scratched me across the face. And a little shrapnel went in below the sight of my eye, made a ring around the sight, so it didn’t touch the sight, where the shrapnel went in. One of the big pieces that stuck in the skull went around the eye, didn’t get in the eye, though. Oh, my!”

*The Way of a True Prophet of God, May 13, 1962*



May 13, 1962	The Way of a True Prophet of God	Jeffersonville, IN
May 13, 1962	Letting Off the Pressure	Jeffersonville, IN
May 18, 1962	Letting Off the Pressure	Green Lake, WI
May 19, 1962	Fellowship	Green Lake, WI
May 20, 1962	Perseverance	Chicago, IL
May 21, 1962	Convinced and Then Concerned	Chicago, IL
May 27, 1962	Questions and Answers	Jeffersonville, IN
May 31, 1962	The Conflict Between God and Satan	Clarksville, IN
Jun. 1, 1962	Taking Sides With Jesus	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 3, 1962	The End-Time Evangelism	Jeffersonville, IN



## The End-Time Evangelism

Joseph Mattsson-Boze, a very good friend of Brother Branham from the denominational realm, attended one of Brother Branham’s meetings at Branham Tabernacle in June 1962. Brother Branham introduced him to his congregation and asked Mr. Mattsson-Boze to speak for a few minutes to explain his Christian education program. Brother Branham also gave Mr. Mattsson-Boze time during the evening service to show a film describing his programs in Africa. Just before Mr. Mattsson-Boze began the film, Brother Branham explained to his church that there is a better way to reach the people than simply trying to teach them.



“Now, today, we try to take the written Word we have in letter form, creed form and so forth, to all the world. And there’s been missionaries gone everywhere. But what do we find when we get there? A native that can’t read his name, holding a tract in his hand. He knows no more about it than he does which is right and left hand. But when Jesus said, ‘Go and preach the Gospel,’ He never said, ‘Teach the Word.’ He said, ‘Preach the Gospel.’ And the Gospel came not in Word only, but through the manifestation of the Word, for the only way that it could be done was to make His promise come to pass.”

*The End-Time Evangelism, June 3, 1962*

➔ *Find more information in the Appendix, page 217*



Jun. 7, 1962	Putting on the Whole Armor of God	Aberdeen, NC
Jun. 8, 1962	Perseverance	Aberdeen, NC
Jun. 9, 1962	Show Us the Father and It Will ...	Aberdeen, NC
Jun. 9, 1962	Letting Off the Pressure	Aberdeen, NC
Jun. 10, 1962	Presuming	Aberdeen, NC
Jun. 10, 1962	Convinced Then Concerned	Aberdeen, NC
Jun. 11, 1962	It Is I, Be Not Afraid	Columbia, SC
Jun. 12, 1962	Behold, a Greater Than Solomon Is Here	Columbia, SC
Jun. 20, 1962	Be Not Afraid	South Gate, CA



## The Woman with the Hood

Brother Branham's meetings were the setting for several historical firsts, including capturing evidence of a supernatural being on film. The most famous of these images is a photograph of Brother Branham with the Pillar of Fire (pictured page 33 in this book). This photograph, taken in Houston in 1950 by a photographer hoping to prove Brother Branham a charlatan, instead captured what we believe is a manifestation of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The original 4x5 negative was examined by George J. Lacy, a consultant to the FBI and a member of the American Society of Questionable Document Examiners. He states, "I am of the definite opinion that the negative submitted for examination was not retouched nor was it a composite or double exposed negative." And "... the light streak above the head in a halo position was caused by light striking the negative." The photograph, pictured below, is a shot taken by an amateur photographer during a campaign in Aberdeen – Southern Pines, North Carolina. Around the world, to Message believers, it is known as the photo of the "woman with the hood."

"And something said to a sister setting by who had a flash camera, said, 'Take the picture.' And she didn't want to do it. Yet, 'Take the picture.' And she still refrained. And then it again come, and she grabbed the picture...and shot the picture. And there is scientifically. It's on the bulletin board: black-hooded shadow. Then, when the woman believed and prayer was made, a picture shot right straight back behind it: clear. I said, 'The shadow has gone.' See? The lady lives, by the grace of God."

*Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?* December 30, 1962



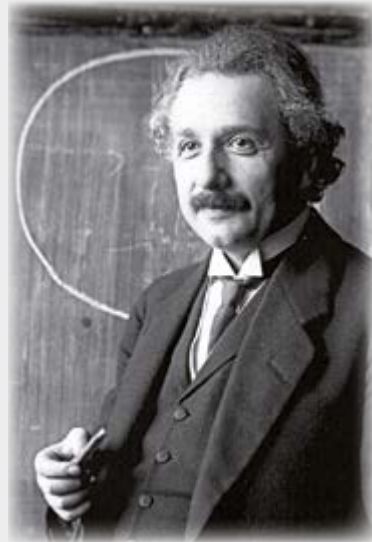


## History of... Description of Dimensions

“Now, but we have contact through science, the fourth dimension, as it was. Because coming right through this building now comes pictures, voices of radio, pictures on television, that our senses does not contact that, but yet they have a—a tube or a crystal that picks up those ether waves and manifests them.

So, you see, right in this building now is live actions of people, in the air, live voices. They’re here. We know it. They’re absolutely the truth.

And the only thing you do, they—they catch it on ... I don’t understand the mechanics of—of those things that science has invented, but we know that it proves to us there is a fourth dimension.



*Albert Einstein*

Now, the fifth dimension is where the sinner, the unbeliever dies and goes to. The fifth dimension is kind of, well, the horrible dimension. Now, this man ... And when a Christian dies, he goes into the sixth dimension.

And God is in the seventh dimension. Now then, you see, the Christian when he dies, he goes under the altar of God, right into the Presence of God, under the altar. And he’s at rest.”

*Present Stage of My Ministry*, September 8, 1962

“Just recently, even cancer has been declared to be a fourth dimension disease, that it’s in another dimension, sure, it’s demonology. Every disease is a fourth dimension disease, the beginning of it.”

*Enticing Spirits*, July 24, 1955



Jun. 21, 1962	The Path of Life	Los Angeles, CA
Jun. 21, 1962	Confirmation and Evidence	South Gate, CA
Jun. 22, 1962	Letting Off the Pressure	Los Angeles, CA
Jun. 22, 1962	Why?	South Gate, CA
Jun. 23, 1962	Perseverant	South Gate, CA
Jun. 24, 1962	Super Sign	South Gate, CA
Jun. 27, 1962	We Would See Jesus	Santa Maria, CA
Jun. 28, 1962	A Greater Than Solomon Is Here	Santa Maria, CA
Jun. 29, 1962	Be Not Afraid, It Is I	Santa Maria, CA
Jun. 30, 1962	It Wasn't so from the Beginning	Santa Maria, CA
Jun. 30, 1962	The Meanest Man in Santa Maria	Santa Maria, CA
Jul. 1, 1962	To Take on the Whole Armor of God	Santa Maria, CA
Jul. 4, 1962	We Would See Jesus	Grass Valley, CA
Jul. 5, 1962	Jehovah-Jireh #1	Grass Valley, CA
Jul. 6, 1962	Jehovah-Jireh #2	Grass Valley, CA
Jul. 7, 1962	Jehovah-Jireh #3	Grass Valley, CA
Jul. 8, 1962	A Super Sign	Grass Valley, CA
Jul. 11, 1962	Hear Ye Him	Spokane, WA
Jul. 12, 1962	We Would See Jesus	Spokane, WA
Jul. 13, 1962	From That Time	Spokane, WA
Jul. 14, 1962	The Uncertain Sound	Spokane, WA
Jul. 15, 1962	Behold, a Greater Than All of Them Is Here	Spokane, WA
Jul. 18, 1962	Jesus Christ the Same Yesterday, Today, and ...	Salem, OR
Jul. 19, 1962	Life	Salem, OR
Jul. 19, 1962	Perseverant	Salem, OR
Jul. 20, 1962	A Testimony on the Sea	Salem, OR
Jul. 21, 1962	Behold, a Greater Than Solomon Is Here	Salem, OR
Jul. 22, 1962	Show Us the Father and It Will ...	Salem, OR
Jul. 24, 1962	Sir, We Would See Jesus	Port Alberni, BC
Jul. 25, 1962	A Greater Than Solomon Is Here	Port Alberni, BC
Jul. 26, 1962	A Testimony upon the Sea	Port Alberni, BC
Jul. 27, 1962	We Would See Jesus	Victoria, BC
Jul. 28, 1962	God Has a Provided Way	Victoria, BC
Jul. 29, 1962	Perseverant	Victoria, BC



## *She Did Not Commit Suicide!*



On August 4, 1962, the world received the shocking news that Marilyn Monroe, a famous American actress, was dead. Because of her relationship with the political world, many people wondered if Miss Monroe was murdered or committed suicide. To this day, many people claim her death to be a mystery. However, it is not a mystery to those who follow this Message. While Brother Branham was on a hunting trip the end of July in 1962, the Angel of the Lord showed him that Miss Monroe would die of a heart attack in just a few days. In the Book of Amos it says, “Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but He revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.” (Amos 3:7)

“Here not long ago I saw the vision of this young woman dying, that they said that committed suicide. It’s been about a year ago. I forget... She was some kind of a girl that was a very popular woman. And I was up in the mountains. I saw her die. And they told me, said... He told me, said, ‘Now, she... You can say it’s four o’clock. It’s just a few seconds before four.’ And said, ‘They’ll say she committed suicide, but she died with a heart attack.’ What is that woman’s name? She just... A young blond-headed woman, Marilyn Monroe. That was it. She, she died, and—and she did not commit suicide. I felt sorry for the girl. She always seemed to be kind of a woman, weary, she needed something. Wish I could have got to the child. She needed Christ. She might have went to some cold, formal church. But she needed a real case of salvation, with something in her heart, to give that assurance. She... Her father, she never seen him. Her mother was in the insane institution. It was all on the girl’s mind. She needed Christ.”

*Show Us the Father*, June 6, 1963

“When I seen that girl that I—the other night in the vision: young pretty girl, Hollywood actress, and I seen her dying, reaching, trying to get to help. She died in a heart attack, Miss Monroe. And then that’s been two years ago, and I seen her dying. And two days later she did die.”

*Come, Follow Me*, June 1, 1963

➔ *Find more pictures in the Appendix, page 164*



Sep. 8, 1962 Present Stage of My Ministry

Jeffersonville, IN

## All Men Have Forsaken Me

During the summer of 1962, Brother Branham continued to hold successful, though smaller, campaigns in the northwestern part of America and Canada. When he returned to Indiana, several letters complaining about his “new” teachings and his perceived harsh treatment of women and denominations were waiting for him. The letters and comments he received sent him to his cave to ask the Lord’s guidance. After a week of reflection, Brother Branham spoke to his home church and sent a message to his dissenters. He had fulfilled all the Lord told him to do and was speaking with THUS SAITH THE LORD accuracy. He explained that Jesus was also popular as long as He healed and fed the people, but many of His followers left Him when He began to teach the meat of the Word. Like Jesus, Brother Branham would not be swayed to please the masses, but chose to obey the Lord and to complete his commission as laid out by the Angel of the Lord.

“And so far as I know, that every vision that He’s ever give me has been fulfilled, except the one that I’m a **change in my ministry**, to where I’m to pray for people in a little place like a little room under a tent, or a big auditorium or something. It looked, to me, like a tent. You remember that, two or three years ago? Most all of it was brought to pass. I was to go down in Mexico, and how it would rain that night and what would take place down there. And He told me my ministry of the First Pull. Remember about catching the little bitty fish, or missing it? Second one was a small fish. But then He told me, ‘On the Third Pull, don’t fail. See? And don’t tell people.’ I’m always trying to explain what I’m trying to do. He let me know not to tell people what you’re doing. Just do what He tells me to do and let it alone. See?”



“Letter comes all the time. One come the other day, said, ‘Brother Branham, I had the greatest of confidence in you, but I heard you say that a certain denomination which I belong to was backsliding.’ Said, ‘I have no more confidence in you at all now, from now on.’ Said, ‘There’s about twenty-five of the brethren of my denomination setting in one of your meetings;’ said, ‘we just got—got right up and went off when you said that.’ Well, all men has forsaken me, but there’s one thing, He stood by me!...?... I’m not, I wasn’t disobedient to the Heavenly vision that happened down there on the river. I’ve stayed true to Him. He’s been true to me. **I’m trusting in Him, someday, I don’t know when, for a crowning of my ministry. I’ve stayed just as true as I could be.** I don’t know what it’ll be. I don’t know when it’ll be. And just when He’s ready, I am done up here. I

hope He will crown my ministry of this, of letting me take the clothes of the Word, and dress His Bride in the cloth of the Word, and for His righteousness. I hope He will crown me, let me stand on that day, say, ‘Behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.’”

*Present Stage of My Ministry, September 8, 1962*



*For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. At my first answer no man stood with me, but all men forsook me: I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge.*

II TIMOTHY 4:10 & 16



## History of... The Stages of Brother Branham's Ministry

In Ephesians 4:11-12, the Apostle Paul shows how God has placed gifts of ministry into the Church for the “perfecting of the saints.” Each ministry is unique, but Paul does mention five specific types of ministry, or anointings: **apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers**. God used all of these gifts in Brother Branham’s ministry. Not only was he a local pastor and a missionary, but in his travels he also taught the Word and did the work of an evangelist.

But the predominant gift in Brother Branham’s ministry was that of the prophet. Through countless fulfilled prophecies, God vindicated Brother Branham as a **genuine seer and prophet**. His ministry can be divided into different phases, each marked by a change in his commission. In this way, his ministry fulfilled several end-time ministries which were foreshadowed in the Old and New Testament.

What is a prophet? In the Scriptures, we find many different examples of prophetic ministries. God spoke face to face with Moses, vindicated him supernaturally, and gave him a THUS SAITH THE LORD revelation of the Word (the Law).

Yet Elijah, though a mighty Old Testament prophet, did not reveal any particular revelatory mysteries. His was a ministry of warning to backsliding Israel. When Israel refused the warning and continued in their sins, Elijah became a “blushing prophet.” Another Old Testament prophet, Daniel, never spoke THUS SAITH THE LORD, yet his prophecies revealed the whole course of events for the last days.

Using these three examples, we can see that a prophet is a spokesman for God, whose message often concerns the future, and that God vindicates this prophet supernaturally. (The supernatural signs must come to pass, and his message must fit with God’s already revealed Word, otherwise this person is a false prophet.)

Using these Old Testament examples, we can place Brother Branham’s ministry in the Scripture. Like Moses, Brother Branham had supernatural signs and THUS SAITH



THE LORD revelation of the Word. **The sign in the hand and the discernment of the thoughts** drew attention to the revelation to come. **Fulfilling Malachi 4, Brother Branham was anointed with the spirit of Elijah.**

The denominations persisted in their worldly living, refusing to obey the Word, and Brother Branham became a **“blushing prophet.”** And like Daniel, much of Brother Branham’s Message concerns events surrounding the last days.

As Brother Branham made the transition from telling people their diseases through the sign in the hand, to revealing the thoughts of people’s hearts through discernment, God vindicated Brother Branham to be **a son of man** (a prophet).

He told people things from their lives that only God would know. In this way, Brother Branham’s prophetic ministry revealed that Jesus Christ, the Son of man, was present to work in people’s lives. It was a son of man revealing the Son of man. **This was the same sign that was shown to Abraham when God in flesh revealed the thoughts of Sarah.**

With the teaching of the Seven Church Ages and the opening of the Seven Seals, God declared Brother Branham to be a true **Word-prophet**, even as was Moses. He was the **seventh angel of Revelation 3, sent to the church age of Laodicea.**

Later in his ministry **he fulfilled Revelation 10:7** (“But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he begins to sound...”). As a seer, Brother Branham could see and place positionally the church ages, the messengers, the Seals, Israel, and the things that are to come. He fulfilled the **ministry of Moses**, by leading a people out of spiritual Egypt, and of **Joshua**, by placing them in the Promised Land of the Word. The Lord also revealed to the prophet that his ministry would fulfill the ministry of **Eliezer**, the model servant of Abraham who found a bride for Isaac.





Sep. 9, 1962	Countdown	Jeffersonville, IN
Sep. 9, 1962	In His Presence	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 7, 1962	The Key to the Door	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 13, 1962	The Influence of Another	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 14, 1962	The Stature of a Perfect Man	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 14, 1962	A Guide	Jeffersonville, IN
Oct. 30, 1962	Vision From the Lord	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 4, 1962	Blasphemous Names	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 4, 1962	Ordination	Jeffersonville, IN



## The Stature of A Perfect Man

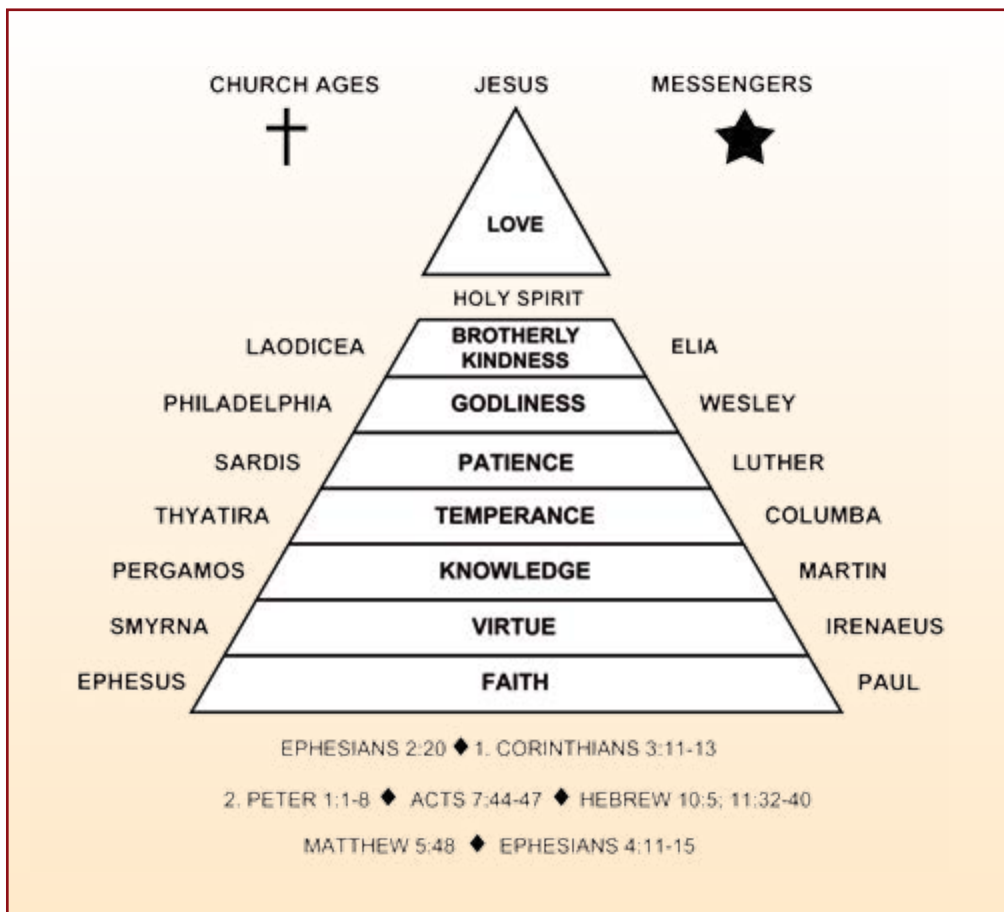
“Here you are, Seven Church Ages, seven steps, God building His church is like one person into an individual, into Himself. The glory, the power of God coming down through this, welding it together. Therefore, the Pentecostal people that let out the Lutheran, let out the Wesleyans and things, doesn’t know what they’re talking about. You see, they lived in this part of the temple. That’s the way some people can come up that high and drop off. “But there’s a genuine part of that keeps making that, building come on. ‘I will restore,’ saith the Lord.”

*The Stature of a Perfect Man, October 14, 1962*



*And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make [you that ye shall] neither [be] barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

II PETER 1:5-8



*This pyramid is a copy of the drawing that Brother Branham drew on his chalkboard and to which he refers throughout this message.*



**Paul**  
*Ephesus*  
53-170



**Irenaeus**  
*Smyrna*  
170-312



**St. Martin**  
*Pergamos*  
312-606



**Columba**  
*Thyatira*  
606-1520



**Luther**  
*Sardis*  
1520-1750



**Wesley**  
*Philadelphia*  
1750-1906



**Branham**  
*Laodicea*  
1906- ...

➔ *Find more information in the Appendix, page 170*

October  
11, 1962

## The Second Vatican Council

One of the major events of 1962 was the beginning of the Second Vatican Council. The Council was significant because its major themes were the position of the Catholic Church in a modern world and the relationship of the Catholic Church to the Christian denominations and all other world religions. Observers say that this Council initiated the Ecumenical Movement, which is the coming together of all religions.

On November 11, 1962 (exactly one month after the beginning of the Council), Brother Branham was inspired to preach the sermon *Why I'm against Organized Religion*. In that service, Brother Branham aligned himself with the messenger or angel of Revelation 18:1-4.



“What did this angel say? ‘Come out of her!’ Yes, sir. This angel came to the earth, and he come to bring the Light, and he shined the Light around the world. He was a mighty angel. And he come to proclaim the message of ‘Come out of Babylon. Touch not her unclean things!’”

*Why I'm Against Organized Religion*, November 11, 1962



Nov. 11, 1962	Dedication	Elizabethtown, KY
Nov. 11, 1962	Why I'm Against Organized Religion	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 22, 1962	Return and Jubilee	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 23, 1962	The Way Back	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 24, 1962	Investments	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 24, 1962	All Things	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 25, 1962	Convinced and Then Concerned	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 25, 1962	The Countdown	Shreveport, LA
Dec. 9, 1962	Remembering the Lord	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 16, 1962	The Falling Apart of the World	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 23, 1962	The Reproach for the Cause of the Word	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 30, 1962	Absolute	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 30, 1962	Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec. 31, 1962	The Contest	Jeffersonville, IN

## *Tax Case is Settled*

Several large donation checks were written out to Brother Branham instead of to Branham Campaigns, which set off a tax debacle. He immediately signed them over to Branham Campaigns. Although he did not personally benefit from these donations, he was taken to court for tax evasion. The finances were always a hassle. This tax case (which took five long years to settle) was mirrored in a literal valley in the “Branham” mountains (see page 91).

“One thing I’d like to announce, while many of them are together, many of you together. It’s something I refrained from announcing for the last couple weeks. That is, your prayers has been answered concerning the tax case that I had with the government. It’s settled. And so we are... It’s—it’s all over now. As many of you understand what they had against me was those checks that had been made out for the campaign, and yet they tried to say there were mine out there. And wanted to charge me three hundred and fifty- something thousand dollars for being my personal property, and it wasn’t. It was the campaign’s. And the church knows about that. All of you know about it.”

*Absolute*, December 30, 1962





## *Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?*

Beginning when he was a child, Brother Branham felt a strange pull to the American West. One of the poems he composed, while a small schoolboy, was entitled “Lonesome for the Far Away Southwest” and was about living in Arizona. When he lay on the operating table after his legs had been nearly shot off, he dreamed of standing somewhere in the West looking at a huge cross in the sky. When he fled from home as a teenager to escape poverty, he intended to move to Arizona and become a cowboy. He again dreamed of the West after his first wife, Hope, died. In that dream he saw himself walking by an old prairie schooner, singing, “The wheel on the wagon is broken, sign on the ranch, ‘For Sale.’”

At the end of 1962, God again spoke to the prophet about a prairie schooner. But this time the wheel was not broken. The dream was a sign for Brother Branham and his family to move westward. Of course, God did not mean in a literal prairie schooner, but He wanted to show Brother Branham that this was not just a trip or a vacation. God was telling the Branham family to move to Tucson, Arizona, permanently. They were to forsake their home in the East in the same way the American pioneers of old left their familiar way of life to begin again in the West.

Brother Branham spoke about all this in the sermon *Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?* on December 30, 1962. He told his congregation something so extremely important was about to happen that God had spoken to six different people at Branham Tabernacle about it in dreams. The ultimate sign came when God spoke to Brother Branham in a vision while he was in his room.

In the vision, Brother Branham saw a formation of little bitty birds, which he called “little veterans,” and he also saw doves. Then, coming from eternity in the twinkling of an eye, a group of seven angels would come to meet him.

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 180/181



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“Then it came to me, while I was in this constellation, No, that isn’t it. If it would’ve killed you it would’ve killed Joseph, and I could hear Joseph calling me.’ Well, then I turned again. I thought, ‘Lord God, what does this vision mean?’ **And I wondered. And then it come to me, not a voice, just come to me.**” **‘Oh, that is the Angels of the Lord coming to give me my new commission.’** And when I thought that, I raised up my hands, and I said, ‘O Lord Jesus, what will You have me do?’ And the vision left me. For almost an hour, I couldn’t feel.”

*Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?* December 30, 1962

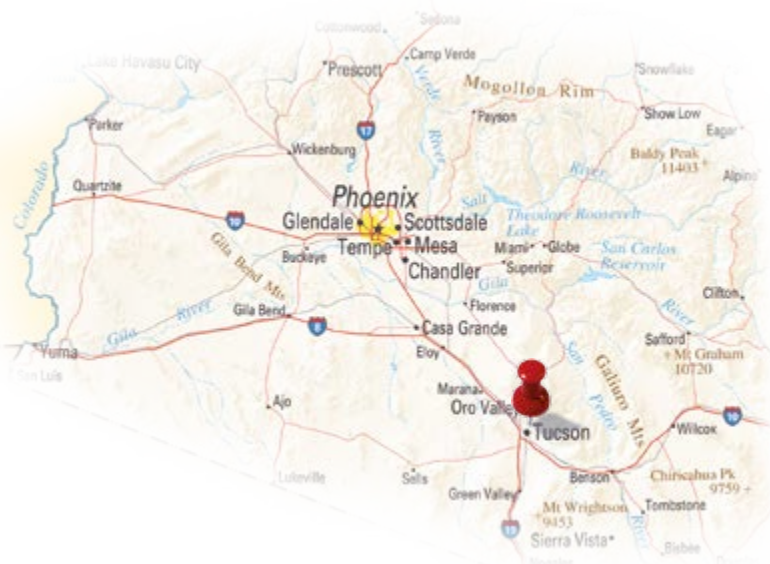
“The people are present now, the six people that had those dreams. Isn’t it strange there wasn’t seven? Isn’t it very strange? That six led right up, and then that vision, immediately. The people are here. Brother Jackson, here, was one; Brother Parnell was another; Sister Collins was another; Sister Steffy was another; Brother Roberson was another; and Brother Beeler was another one.

And the heavenly Father knows there was not one more pertaining to it. At the end of that seventh one, which was Sister Steffy, immediately, the vision broke forth. You see? You see why I’m leaving? You see why I got to go? I must do it and friends, don’t look to me. I’m your brother. Don’t pay no attention to me, because I’m just a mortal. I have to die like everybody else.

Don’t you listen to me, but listen to what I’ve said. What I’ve said is the Message. Don’t pay any attention to the messenger; watch the Message. Keep your eyes, not on the messenger, but on the Message, what It said. That’s the thing to look to. And God help us is my prayer. I hate—I didn’t want to come tell you this, but I wouldn’t hold nothing back from you.

Now, as far as I know ... Let me tell you. As far as I know, I’ll be leaving in the next two or three days, Wednesday morning, to—for Tucson. I’ll not go to Tucson to preach; I’m not going there to preach. I’m going to Tucson to establish my family in school, and then become a wanderer.”

*Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?* December 30, 1962



January  
1, 1963

*The Backside of the Desert*









## The Sword of the King



On January 4, 1963, the time finally came for Brother Branham to move to Arizona – the place that he had loved so much since his boyhood. Nevertheless, this was different. In 1927, as an eighteen-year-old, Brother Branham had gone to Arizona to fulfill a personal dream and to escape from the squalor and poverty of his home. It seems that he was also trying to run away from God. But 35 years later, he went according to a vision. Together with his family, he went to fulfill the will of God. Later on, almost at the end of his life, Brother Branham told us that he often wondered why he had to go to the “backside of the desert,” as he called it. But Brother Branham found an answer in the lives of Moses and the Apostle Paul. Both were led into the desert to meet God and receive a deeper revelation of God’s Word and will. In the desert, Brother Branham received “the Sword of the King.”

“And I had my hands out, and all at once something hit my hand. I don’t know. I can’t say. Did I go to sleep? I don’t know. Did I go into a trance? I don’t know. Was it a vision? I can’t tell you. Only thing I can say is when I ... Just the same thing like them Angels was. And it struck my hand, and I looked, and it was a sword, and it had pearl handles, real pretty; and had a guard over it with gold, and the blade looked like, something like a chrome, like silver, only it was real shiny. And it was so feather-edge sharp. Oh, my. And I thought, ‘Isn’t that the prettiest thing?’ just fit my hand.

I thought, ‘That’s awful pretty.’ But I said, ‘Hey, I’m always ‘fraid of them things’—a sword. And I thought, ‘What will I do with that?’ And just then a voice shook down through there that rocked the rocks, said, ‘It’s the Sword of the King.’ And then I come out of it. ‘The Sword of the King ...’ Now, if it said, ‘a Sword of a King ...’ but it said, ‘**The Sword of the King**,’ and there’s only one ‘the King,’ and that’s God.

And He has one Sword; that’s His Word, what I live by. That, so help me, God, standing over His holy desk here with this holy Word laying here, It’s the Word. Amen.”

*The Seventh Seal, March 24, 1963*

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*And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.*

REVELATION 1:16



Jan. 12, 1963	Influence	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 13, 1963	Letting Off Pressure	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 13, 1963	Perseverance	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 14, 1963	A Trumpet Gives an Uncertain Sound	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 15, 1963	Accepting God's Provided Way at the End Time	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 16, 1963	The Evening Messenger	Mesa, AZ
Jan. 17, 1963	Awakening Jesus	Tempe, AZ
Jan. 18, 1963	Spirit of Truth	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 19, 1963	The Way of a True Prophet	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 20, 1963	The Voice of God in This Last Days	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 20, 1963	Just One More Time, Lord	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 21, 1963	Zacchaeus, the Businessman	Tucson, AZ
Jan. 22, 1963	Remembering the Lord	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 23, 1963	Identification	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 26, 1963	Investments	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 27, 1963	An Absolute	Phoenix, AZ
Feb. 23, 1963	A Door in a Door	Tucson, AZ
Mar. 4, 1963	A Absolute	Houston, TX



February/  
March  
1963

## Seven Angels Appear to the Prophet

A critic of Brother Branham had contacted Brother Branham requesting him to come to Houston, Texas, to save his son who was on death row. Whilst in Houston, he preaches *A Absolute*, on March 4, 1963.

“And someone called me, the one that criticized me about that picture of the Angel of the Lord, the one that took it. I had to go to Houston about his son, for he was going in the death row and was going to be killed in a few days. And he met me in there and threwed his arms around me, said, ‘Think, the very man that I criticized comes to save my only son!’ The humane society give me what they call an oscar, or whatever you want to call it, for saving a life. Then we went back, I went up in the mountain to hunt..”

*What Is The Attraction on the Mountain?*, July 25, 1965

Fred Sothman and Gene Norman went with Brother Branham to Sunset Mountain 40 miles northeast of Tucson to hunt javelina and would later recount the incident of the “blast that took place on a certain day which shook the whole earth”. In later sermons Brother Branham tells about what transpired that day.

A visitation of angels led to the fulfillment of a vision Brother Branham saw while in Jeffersonville and shared in his sermon *Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?*. With their visitation, the Seven Angels gave Brother Branham the commission to open and preach about the mysteries surrounding the Seven Seals in Revelations.

The picture of the Cloud in the sky was taken from various locations on 28th February and later published in the May '63 issue of LIFE Magazine.

Brother Branham referred to this Cloud as seven Angels which visited him (and which in the vision showed took him up in their midst.)



“And I started up the mountain, running as hard as I could on the other side. All of a sudden, I thought somebody shot me. I never heard such a blast; it shook the whole country. And, when it did, standing before me was seven Angels in a cluster. I met Brother Fred and them, a little after. Said, ‘What was it?’ I said, ‘That was it.’ ‘What are you going to do?’ ‘Return home. For, **THUS SAITH THE LORD**, the seven mysteries that’s been hid in the Bible all these years, these denominations and everything, God is going to open those seven mysteries to us in the Seven Seals.’ There was that circle coming up from the earth, like a mist forming. When It did, It went plumb up into the mountain, begin to circle on westward, from the way It come. Science found It after a while, thirty miles high and twenty-five miles across, just exactly in the circle of the pyramid.”

*What Is The Attraction on the Mountain?*, July 25, 1965

## Why Sunset Mountain?

“We are told, in Zechariah 14:6 and 7, that, ‘There will come a day,’ prophet prophesied, ‘that they can’t be called day nor night.’ It’s a gloomy, dismal, dark day, ‘but in the evening time it shall be Light.’ The Bible said so.

Now look, in closing. Geographically, the sun rises on the Eastern people, first. It rises in the East and sets in the West. Now follow me close. Civilization has traveled with the sun. We all know that, don’t we? So has the Gospel. The Gospel started in the East. It come from the East; across, over into Germany, across the Mediterranean, into Germany; from Germany, across the English Channel, into England; from there, across the Atlantic, into the United States, on the East Coast; and has traveled to the West Coast. Now the East and West has met. And the same sun that rises in the East, is the same **sun that sets in the West**.

Now watch. The Son, S-o-n, rose as the Messiah, on the Eastern people. And now we’ve had a day, since His going away, of denominations and gets together, and—and so forth. We’ve had enough light like a gloomy day when the sun is hid by clouds. And they’ve had denominations. We built hospitals. We built schools. We’ve built organizations. We’ve did all these things just exactly the way that we’re supposed to do it. But He said, ‘In the evening time it shall be Light.’”

*The Identified Christ of All Ages*, April 1, 1964

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 170 and 184/185



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## The Dedication of the Tabernacle After the Extension and Renovation

“Now, I think it’s our duty to make the inside right by the grace of God to be so grateful to God that our ... This will just not only be a beautiful building that we’ll come to, but may everyone who comes in see the beautiful characteristic of Jesus Christ in every person that comes in. May it be a consecrated place to our Lord, a consecrated people, for no matter how beautiful the structure is (that we certainly do appreciate), the beauty of the church is the character of the people. I trust it’ll always be a house of God of beauty.”



*God Hiding Himself in Simplicity, then Revealing Himself in the Same, March 17, 1963*



### History of... The Branham Tabernacle

Brother Branham described the land on which the tabernacle was originally built as a muddy pool full of pond lilies. Brother Branham used this place as a refuge for prayer. It was at this site, while praying that his father would be saved and delivered from alcohol, that the Lord Jesus appeared to Brother Branham and told him He would honor his prayer.

“And in here there used to be lilies, pond lilies come up. And the—the lily is a very strange flower. Though it is born in mud, it has to press its way through the mud and then through the waters and slime to get itself up to the top to show its beauty. And I—I think this morning that that’s a whole lot what’s happened here. That since that time, a little pond lily has pushed itself; and when it got to the top of the water, it spread its wings forth; its little petals went out, and it reflected the Lily of the Valley.”

*God Hiding Himself in Simplicity, then Revealing Himself in the Same, March 17, 1963*

“And, God in Heaven knows, that lays right there in the corner of that Tabernacle stone since 1933, wrote on a page of a Bible, laying right there. Look how they’ve done it. Look what’s come to pass. Impersonations, just exact.

Said, ‘Let them alone, their folly will be made known in the same manner as Jambres and Jannes was.’ Here we are in that day, I seen the church then when we was just laying the cornerstone, people hanging in the sills and all around, standing around the walls of the tabernacle.

There you are. And they said, when it come up, the people of the city here, said, ‘Within the space of six months...’ Us with one dollar and eighty cents to build a tabernacle, a lot of the garage people done decided it was going to be their garage. But it’s still a sheep pen for God’s Sheep.”

*Spiritual Food in Due Season*, July 18, 1965

In addition to the Branham Tabernacle church members, God granted Brother Branham faithful friends and fellow servants who helped to carry the burdens of the church. One of those men was Reverend Orman Neville who became the pastor of the tabernacle in the early 1950s.

“I’ve knowed Orman Neville since I was a little boy, and he hasn’t changed one speck, only got closer to God. I remember when I first saw him on a ... I was invited to his Methodist platform. And when I come back here to the tabernacle, I said, ‘Someday, I’ll baptize him in the Name of Jesus Christ.’ And here he is with the Message now, going on, a real gallant servant.”

*Christ Is the Mystery of God Revealed*, July 28, 1963





## The Revelation of the Seven Seals

“He stood right there in the room and revealed every one of them. And if I ever preached anything in my life was inspired, it was that. And it ought to be true, to you. Stand here and tell you that it’s going to happen, and go right there, and even science and everything else, the scientific research and everything—mystery to the people, proved that it happened right there. And come back and hear it unfold, and make every word exactly right.”

*Souls That Are in Prison Now*, November 10, 1963



Mar. 17, 1963	God Hiding Himself in Simplicity, then ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 17, 1963	The Breach Between the Seven Church ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 18, 1963	The First Seal	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 19, 1963	The Second Seal	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 20, 1963	The Third Seal	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 21, 1963	The Fourth Seal	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 22, 1963	The Fifth Seal	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 23, 1963	The Sixth Seal	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 24, 1963	Questions and Answers on the Seals	Jeffersonville, IN
Mar. 24, 1963	The Seventh Seal	Jeffersonville, IN



On Monday morning, March 25, 1963, Brother Branham recorded another tape with a different ending for the message *The Seventh Seal*.

In his notes for the sermon, he had written at a certain point “Stop! Go no further than this right here.”

After listening to the tape himself, Brother Branham did not want the original recording released. Instead, on Monday, March 25, 1963, he met Brother Fred Sothmann and Brother James McGuire (the brothers then in charge of making the tapes) to record another ending, which was the only released version of the sermon until 1966.



After Brother Branham’s death, the board of the William Branham Evangelistic Association unanimously voted to release the original recording and ever since both versions have been available.



Apr. 12, 1963    *The World Is Falling Apart*

Albuquerque, NM

“... They see the political world falling apart. Their U.N., a great big rubber balloon that’s pushed around by every wind of–of political doctrine, shoved one way and another way.

And, O God, they see the...this council of churches, as they so-call it. They see it’s moving them right into a trap, Lord, like a spider weaving a web.”

*The World Is Falling Apart*, April 12, 1963



Apr. 12, 1963	God Hiding Himself in Simplicity	Albuquerque, NM
Apr. 21, 1963	Victory Day	Sierra Vista, AZ
Apr. 28, 1963	Look	Phoenix, AZ

## *Saving a Boy's Life from the Electric Chair*

In the message *Look*, Brother Branham described how he had to go to Houston to save the life of the son of one of his critics.

“In closing, I might say this. There’s a boy who had done a murder. He done something wrong. Well, I was called on a case, the other day, you know, this over here in Texas. I got a little certificate from them the other day, ‘Saving a life,’ it said. We went over there for that little Ayers. That man that taken the picture of the Angel of the Lord, who, that night over there at Houston, and criticized me and said everything in the world about me. Threw his arms around me, hugged me, said, ‘Just think, Brother Branham, the very man that I said was hyp-... practicing hypnosis, has come to save my son from the electric chair.’ That’s right.

I talked there before them all. And what did the governor do? Pardoned it. Oh, my, when they was to die in four or five days, afterwards. Right. Why? I’m interested in life. Life! I said, ‘Sir, you have no right to take the boy’s life. The first blood was ever spilled, was one brother spilled another’s. He shed his blood.

But God didn’t take his life in capital punishment. He put a mark upon him, that nobody would kill him. Don’t rub that off.’ Amen, and amen. Right. We’re interested in life.”

*Look*, April 28, 1963



*And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit. And he kneeled down, and cried with a loud voice, Lord, lay not this sin to their charge. And when he had said this, he fell asleep.*

ACTS 7:59-60



## Life Magazine May 17, 1963 ...And a High Cloud Ring of Mystery



“I believe, they told me, Brother Hickerson just took this out of the magazine. He put it on my desk back there. That is that constellation of Angels that’s in the—the magazine that was spoke of.

See the pyramid shape? Look at this One on this side, the pointed wing, coming with His chest out like that, on my right-hand side. As I spoke from this same pulpit, months and months and months ago, see, there It is. And LOOK maga-... or, LIFE magazine has It, the—the May issue, May the 17th, I believe it is. That right? May the 17th, issue. Mrs. Woods was telling me today that many called her and asked. That’s in the May issue, May the 17th. It’s a mysterious cloud. The cloud is twenty-six miles high and thirty miles across. And that’s what we were speaking of here. That’s where the Angel of the Lord came down and shook the place.”

*Is Your Life Worthy of the Gospel?* June 30, 1963

“I was going to speak this morning on Satan’s Eden (many of you’s got the tape of it), Satan’s Eden. He has made another garden of Eden, and six thousand years it’s taken him to make it, just like God did His at the beginning.

God made His Eden, and Satan corrupted it. Now, Satan’s made his own Eden, and God’s going to destroy it (that’s right) and put His own. Something said to me, ‘Turn it right.’ I thought, ‘I think I’m looking at it right.’ Said, ‘Turn it right.’ See? I thought, ‘Maybe that Voice means turn it to the right.’ And when I did, you see what it is: Hofmann’s Head of Christ, at thirty-three. Here, look here, see His dark beard, His face, His eyes, His nose, and everything else.

See the part in His hair here coming up. And He’s wiggled with that white Angel wig to show that the Message of Him being God is the Truth. He is the Supreme Judge of the universe, Supreme Judge of Heaven and earth. He is God, and nothing else but God. He is God expressed in human form called the Son of God, which the Son was the mask.

And if that don’t make our Message exactly right: identified by the Scripture, identified in service, identified by His Presence, the same yesterday, today, and forever. Therefore those Seven Seals are the Truth, brethren. Might disagree with them, but just set down and study with a open heart one time, just let the Holy Spirit lead you from....”

*Trying to Do God a Service Without It Being God’s Will*, November 27, 1965

➔ *Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 162/163*

# ...And a High Cloud Ring of Mystery



Hovering like a giant's smoke ring, a great cloud appeared at sunset over Flagstaff, Ariz. last Feb. 28 and set off a continuing scientific mystery. Watchers struck by the cloud's odd shape and huge size, took pictures, like these four, at different times and from widely scattered locations in the state. Dr. James McDonald, a meteorologist at the Institute of Atmospheric Physics in Tucson, has been accumulating the pictures. Using them as the basis for trigonometric calculation, he has made a startling discovery that the cloud was at least 26 miles high and 30 miles across—"a lot higher and bigger," he says, "than a cloud should be." The circle was too high to be made by a jet plane, and so far as Dr. McDonald can determine, there were no rockets, rocket planes or bombs being tested nearby that day. He hopes anyone else with pictures will lend them to him, for he would like some more clues about the cloud 26 miles up—no water droplets exist at that height to make a cloud.



6:10 P.M., N.E. OF PRESCOTT



8:15 P.M., N. OF PHOENIX



6:30 P.M., W.N.W. OF WINSLOW

LIFE Magazine, May 17, 1963

## An Everlasting Sign to the Prophet

When Jesus was on earth the Pharisees criticized Him for letting His disciples shout and praise God while entering Jerusalem. In response the Lord said, “If they were silent, even the stones would cry out.” Jesus alluded to the fact that God can use anything, even geographic features to show His will. Because of the pressures of the ministry and the refusal of many to listen to God’s message, by June 1963, Brother Branham had developed a complex against the people, to the point that he wanted to quit the ministry. He wanted to live in the woods and only come back when he had THUS SAITH THE LORD. First, God corrected him, saying, “You have lost your feeling for My people.” But, ever patient with His prophets, God encouraged Brother Branham by showing him an everlasting sign.

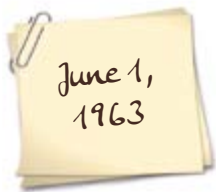
There are seven mountains in Pony, Montana, that are known as the “Branham” peaks by the believers of that region. God spoke to Brother Branham and told him those seven peaks represent his life and ministry.

“I stopped and looked up on the mountain, and I seen those seven hills. Now, here, if you want to see something. There was seven peaks on top of a mountain, one mountain, that run for several miles. The last mountain before you go into the other country, no more mountains after that. And it was running from east to the west, the mountain set. And it was snowcapped on top. The first two small peaks, and then a large peak; and then another small peak, and then a larger peak ... And then a small peak, and then a great, large, long, snowcapped mountain.

And I said, ‘Lord, I do not understand what that means.’ He said, ‘How many peaks are there?’ I said, ‘There’s seven.’ ‘How many letters is in your name?’ B-r-a-n-h-a-m, M-a-r-r-i-o-n, B-r-a-n-h-a-m. And there was three outstanding peaks. He said, ‘Those three peaks are the first, second, and Third Pull. The first one was your first part of your ministry, small hill; then your first pull, pretty high. You know, sign in the hand.’ Then there’s a little interval in there, the time that I was taken off from being too tired. Many of you remember it. And then come the discernment, the second pull. Now, I’ve had another, about a few years here of just kind of little peaks (See?), back like my ministry wasn’t yet ... And then come the third one. Three is a number of completion (See?), the third one. The next peak was five, number of grace. And the next peak was seven, the number of—of perfection: the end. ‘Six days shall ye labor; the seventh is the Sabbath,’ the end of the week, the end of time. See? And I stopped and I showed it to Billy. And I looked at them. And He said, ‘That ... Let that stand. **If there’s ever a doubt in your mind, remember this place; come back here.**’”

*Standing in the Gap*, June 23, 1963





## The LORD Who Provides

Down through the ages, Almighty God appeared through different names and titles. He appeared to Moses as the **I AM**. He strengthened Abraham as **Elohim** and as **El Shaddai** – the breasted God. Isaiah called Him **Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**” William Branham declared God had attributes He wanted to express and He identified Himself by the seven redemptive names of Jehovah.

Many times Brother Branham began his prayers to God with the words **“Author of life, Giver of every good gift.”** No doubt the One who holds the future in His hand knew that His messenger to this age would leave the scene and that His Bride would remain here until she meets Him in the air.

An all knowing God understood that young people would be particularly vulnerable to the lies of Satan and in His wisdom He provided the inspiration to help guide today’s youth. The words of wisdom Brother Branham spoke in the 1950s and 1960s is still valid and valuable to our youth and will be until He returns to take away His children. The prophet put God’s provision in these words **“I remember what was said and - especially about the young people”** identifies Him to be the same who says; “Fear not....”

“Now, from here we want to—to make our quotation. And now, I have written out on the envelope here that I carried: ‘The Seven Compound Names of Jehovah.’ In other words, it was what Jehovah is, is made up in these seven redemptive names of His. Now, God ... His attitude towards the people from Eden, back to Eden is wrapped in these seven redemptive names.

The first one being Jehovah-Jireh, which means, ‘the Lord will provide a sacrifice.’ The second one is Jehovah-Rapha, ‘the Lord, the Healer.’ Manasseh, ‘our Banner.’ Shalom, ‘our Peace.’ Rohi, ‘is Shepherd, our righteousness.’ And Sham, ‘the Lord is present.’”

*The Seven Compound Names of Jehovah, January 20, 1955*

“Lord Jesus, we are grateful for this time, to know that we’re assembled here, the young and old, and the middle-aged. And we have assembled, this side of Eternity, once more to speak about You and about the things that pertains to Everlasting Life. And these young ones setting in here tonight, some of them are graduating, some has already graduated. But I realize, Lord, something that happened just a few hours before that great shock, or great blast, had taken place in the mountain up there, north of Tucson, when the Angels of the Lord came down. I remember what was said and—and especially about the young people. I pray Thee, Lord, to help us to understand. And may I be able to say something to these young folks, tonight, that’ll help them along the journey. For, Lord, we all need that help at this time.”

*Come, Follow Me, June 1, 1963*



## *The Seven Compound Names of Jehovah*

*Jehovah - Jireh*

*The Lord provides Himself a sacrifice* – GENESIS 22:14

*Jehovah - Rapha*

*The Lord, our Healer* – EXODUS 15:26

*Jehovah - Nissi*

*The Lord, our Banner* – EXODUS 17:15

*Jehovah - Shalom*

*The Lord, our Peace* – JUDGES 6:24

*Jehovah - Raah*

*The Lord, our Shepherd* – PSALMS 23:1

*Jehovah - Tsidkenu*

*The Lord, our Righteousness* – JEREMIAH 23:6

*Jehovah - Shammah*

*The Lord is present* – EZEKIEL 48:35



Jun. 1, 1963	Come, Follow Me	Tucson, AZ
Jun. 4, 1963	Jesus Christ the Same Yesterday, Today, and ...	Tucson, AZ
Jun. 5, 1963	Greater Than Solomon Is Here	Tucson, AZ
Jun. 6, 1963	Show Us the Father	Tucson, AZ
Jun. 7, 1963	Be Not Afraid	Tucson, AZ
Jun. 8, 1963	Conferences	Tucson, AZ



*The First Prime Minister of Israel,  
David Ben Gurion Resigns -  
An Era Ends in God's Timepiece*



“And a strange thing of that, that you might not know, the very day the Angel of the Lord called me out, May the 6th, 1947, and issued the gift to pray for the sick, was the very same day that Israel become a nation for the first time for twenty-five hundred years. Oh, I believe there’s something in it. I just can’t keep from believing that we’re near the end of time. That’s right. There’s the Jews awaiting the great signpost. Everything’s pointing right to them: watching the Jews, them turning in, packing their loved ones.”

*The Great Coming Revival and the Outpouring of the Holy Spirit, July 18, 1954*



Jun. 23, 1963 Standing in the Gap

Jeffersonville, IN





## Brother Way Comes Back to Life

In the message *Standing in the Gap*, Brother Branham confessed to having a complex and wanted to show that everyone has complexes. To illustrate his point, he mentioned a man named Brother Way, who also had complexes. Brother Branham was about to continue when Brother Way dropped dead of a heart attack. After a short prayer from Brother Branham, Brother Way's life was given back to him. Though tragic at the time, God used this incident to illustrate the resurrecting power of Jesus Christ through the spoken Word.

“And this morning, when making my confession of having complex, I referred to Brother Way also as having a complex, which is certainly normal among all people, and at a—moment after that, Brother Way was stricken in a heart attack and dropped dead in the floor. And I seen his wife, and I noticed ... I have been around many people dying, and I—I do not have to—to say this....”

“Now I—I am ... think that the same God that the great Saint Paul represented in his days, that when he preached at length one night, and a man fell and his life was gone out of him; and Paul, getting over the man, by the grace of God, said back to the audience, ‘His life is within him.’ I—I think that it proves to us, or if you’ve never seen it before, that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.”

*The Flashing Red Light of the Sign of His Coming, June 23, 1963*



*And there sat in a window a certain young man named Eutychus, being fallen into a deep sleep: and as Paul was long preaching, he sunk down with sleep, and fell down from the third loft, and was taken up dead. And Paul went down, and fell on him, and embracing him said, Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.*

ACTS 20:9-10



Jun. 23, 1963	The Flashing Red Light of the Sign ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 26, 1963	Why?	Hot Springs, AR
Jun. 27, 1963	Jesus Christ the Same Yesterday, Today, and ...	Hot Springs, AR
Jun. 28, 1963	O Lord, Just Once More	Hot Springs, AR
Jun. 28, 1963	A Greater Than Solomon Is Here	Hot Springs, AR
Jun. 30, 1963	The Third Exodus	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 30, 1963	Is Your Life Worthy of the Gospel?	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 7, 1963	The Indictment	Jeffersonville, IN

## The Indictment

History often repeats itself. In the message *The Indictment*, Brother Branham revealed that the religious world was once again rejecting the Word of God for their day.

While God was calling His church into the “Third Exodus,” He was simultaneously pronouncing judgment upon the denominational world.

“And again I say, ‘Here,’ the churches, ‘they,’ the teachers, ‘crucify,’ by blasphemy, ‘Him,’ the Word. God be merciful! Let me say that again. It might have been mixed up on the tape. ‘Here,’ the churches, ‘they,’ the clergy, ‘crucify,’ by blasphemy, ‘Him,’ the Word.



No wonder it’s again: Mid rending rocks and darkening skies, My Saviour bowed His head and died, But the opening veil revealed the way, To Heaven’s joys and endless day. I say it on this tape, and for this audience. I say this under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost. **Who is on the Lord’s side, let him come under this Word!**

God will surely bring this wicked, Christ-denying, Christ-rejecting generation into judgment, for blasphemy, the crucifixion of His identified Word. They are coming to the Judgment. I indict it! ‘Who is on the Lord’s side,’ said Moses, ‘let him come unto me,’ when the Pillar of Fire hanging there as an evidence. Who is on the Lord’s side, let him take up the Word, deny his creed, and follow Jesus Christ daily. And I’ll meet you in the morning.”

*The Indictment*, July 7, 1963



Jul. 7, 1963	Communion	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 14, 1963	Why Cry? Speak!	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 14, 1963	Humble Thyself	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 17, 1963	A Prisoner	Jeffersonville, IN

## *Pillar of Fire Appears over a Tape Recorder in Jamaica*

“By end of the week, maybe by Sunday, we’re getting the small photograph blown up to a large size, so it can be put on the billboard. Where, your picture hangs out there on the billboard. I don’t know whether you noticed it, or not. And then...

And about a week ago, in—in Jamaica, where I was missionary-ing. We send tapes all over the world. And *The Seven Seals* has got back into... way back into the inlands of Jamaica, way in the interior. And it’s very primitive back in there, behind Blue Mountain. And the natives, sometimes, they have a—a tape recorder we get for them, that you have to—to, like the old Victrola, crank it, and then let—let it play like that. Then, every few minutes, somebody has to crank it.

This group had a little battery, six-volt battery, or something or another, playing this tape recorder. And they was all were setting together (about what’s here tonight) listening to those Seals, I believe it was.

And while I was speaking, they noticed coming in the room, came that same Pillar of Fire, moved over where the tape recorder was and settled down over the top of it; and they went and got a camera and took the picture of It. And just the same One, there it is, hanging right there over it. Now, we’re getting it blown up so we can put it on the—the billboard out there, that you can see it.”

*A Prisoner*, July 17, 1963



## "Humble Thyself"

Following a long series of weighty and deep messages on *The Seven Seals* and *The Third Exodus*, Brother Branham switched direction and preached a series on the equally important, but less mystical topic of, *God in Simplicity*. Sub-topics under this umbrella topic included: the daily walk with Jesus, and how to approach God and receive a blessing.

"Sometimes, as the farmer said, he went out to the field with his wagon, and every time he hit a bump, it just rattled and went on. But when he come back, he hit the same bump and didn't make no noise at all, because it was loaded with good things.

So I think that's just about right (See ?), that we get filled up with the good things of God, that the fruit of the Spirit might be known through us. As he referred so much to I Corinthians 13 there, and how, that, 'Though I give my body to be burnt, and have all these things, and have not charity; it's nothing, profiteth me nothing.' You see, we want to do that."

*Humble Thyself*, July 14, 1963

## The Next Pull Is at Hand

"Not knowing ... of course, being spiritual, you watch spiritual things. Not knowing this; God knows it. But if you'll turn and look at the clock, it's on the dot 2 o'clock: the end of the Second Pull, the Third Pull is at hand. [Brother Branham sings for the second time 'Take the Name of Jesus,' then says,] Did you notice the Spirit take the same song and picking it up an octave higher like that? The next Pull is at hand. Amen."

*Christ Is the Mystery of God Revealed*, July 28, 1963



Jul. 21, 1963	He Cares. Do You Care?	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 24, 1963	God Doesn't Call Man to Judgment Without ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 28, 1963	Christ Is the Mystery of God Revealed	Jeffersonville, IN



## History of... The Three Pulls

During a time of great spiritual depression, God indicated to Brother Branham that his ministry would change. The Lord showed Brother Branham a vision depicting the different steps in his ministry. Each stage was symbolized by different images, such as **a little bit of shoelace and a baby shoe** or a **fishing rod and a lure**. Certainly it is remarkable that while the first two pulls dealt with him as a person, the Third Pull included a healing for the people, without interaction with the man William Branham. The prophet spoke about this vision for the first time in the message *Why Are People so Tossed About?* preached on January 1, 1956. This vision has come to be best known as “**The Tent Vision.**”

“And just then, this One Who’d been talking behind me, stepped around in front of me. It was Him, the Angel of the Lord. He had His hands folded. He looked at me, said, ‘Just what I told you not to do.’ And I said, ‘Yes, that’s right.’ He said, ‘You see, that first pull was when you used to put your hands on the people and tell them what was their trouble.’ Said, ‘The second pull was when you’d know the secrets of the heart like I told you.’ And said, ‘Instead of you keeping that to yourself, you tried to explain all about it and tell people, and when you did,’ said, ‘you didn’t know nothing about it yourself, and how could you explain it? And you caused a big bunch of ca—carnal im—impersonations to rise up, and you see what you’ve done.’ And I said, ‘Lord, I’m sorry.’ And I—I said, ‘Oh, I—I’m so sorry. I don’t know what to do.’”

*What Is a Vision?* April 8, 1956

“Then He taken me from there, and I seen a great huge tent. I never seen such a—a tent. And it was packed and lined everywhere with people. And I walked out to the ... Looked like I was standing above the people, looking down, where I’d just made an altar call; and hundreds and hundreds of people were weeping and rejoicing after they had accepted the Lord Jesus as their Saviour. And I looked, and then heard a man get up and say, ‘Call the prayer line.’ And people begin to line up over on this side, the left from where I was looking down towards the platform, and they lined all the way up and down the street for a prayer line. I noticed to my left, which would’ve been to my right if I was on the platform, a little wooden building. And I seen that Light, that all—they have the picture of, you know, that’s always in the meetings; I seen that Light leave me, and go to that building, and go in that building; and a Voice said to me, ‘**’I’ll meet you in there; that’ll be the Third Pull.**’ I said, ‘Why?’ He said, ‘Well, it won’t be a public show like the other.’ And I came to.”

*Why Are People so Tossed About?* January 1, 1956



Jul. 31, 1963	There Is Only One Way Provided by God ...	Chicago, IL
Aug. 1, 1963	A Paradox	Chicago, IL
Aug. 2, 1963	Perseverant	Chicago, IL
Aug. 3, 1963	Investments	Chicago, IL
Aug. 3, 1963	Influence	Chicago, IL
Aug. 4, 1963	Once More	Chicago, IL
Aug. 4, 1963	Calling Jesus on the Scene	Chicago, IL



## Robbery by False Light

On August 8, 1963, the greatest train robbery of all time was successfully perpetrated just outside Cheddington in rural Buckinghamshire, England. Known as the “Great Train Robbery,” a gang of around 20 members stole 2.3 million pounds (around 7 million dollars) in used £1, £5, and £10 bank notes from a mail train. The gang leader stopped the train at Sears Crossing, using a false signal powered by six-volt batteries. Dressed in railroad workers’ blue overalls, the rest of the gang waited nearby. A glove was used to cover the real green “go” signal at Sears Crossing, and the train driver, unknowingly, followed the gang leader’s signals to stop. The conductor got off the train and walked straight into the members of the gang. The robbery was a success. Brother Branham showed how this natural robbery typed the spiritual robbery of the church.

“The greatest robbery that was ever performed, was in England, not long ago, was done by a false light, a seven-million dollar robbery. The world has never heard of such a robbery; Scotland Yard couldn’t catch up with it. That was the greatest robbery the world ever had, was performed by a false light. May I say this, brethren, with love in my heart for man. God knows

that. **The greatest robbery the church ever had was a false light, too, living in the glare of some other age.** What Luther, Martin Luther, Wesley, or what some of our full Pentecostal fathers said. See? That ain’t today. Here’s the promise for the day; here’s the Word. And you say, ‘Well, you got It interpreted wrong.’ God’s His own interpreter, when He manifests It.”

*Paradox*, February 6, 1964



*Bridego Bridge, the scene of the robbery*

➔ Find more information in the Appendix, page 213



Aug. 18, 1963	The Uniting Time and Sign	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 25, 1963	How Can I Overcome?	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 25, 1963	Perfect Faith	Jeffersonville, IN

“Uniting time for the Church! Oh, my! Uniting every Word that’s been scattered all abroad by these organizations: ever since at Nicaea, Rome, when they organized the first church, and they’ve organized Luther, they organized Wesley, they organized all the rest of the churches. And doing that, they had to adopt a creed, and then when God sent something else, they could not receive It. Therefore, it was not possible until now. And God promised, in the last days, that ‘the Faith of the fathers would be restored back to the Bride again,’ that it would be this way, and it couldn’t be no other time but this time. Look what a sign from Heaven, as a Pillar of Fire hanging among us, and with signs and wonders of the Lord Jesus Christ. And while He speaks to us, It never fails to be perfectly on the dot. Amen! Then we see where we’re standing. Uniting time!”

*The Uniting Time and Sign, August 18, 1963*



## I Have a Dream

Protesting against forced segregation, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. led approximately 250,000 people through Washington, D.C., on August 28, 1963. Later, Brother Branham said the protest leaders were influenced by a communistic spirit. At the culmination of the demonstration, Dr. King gave a speech that would prove to be his most famous, “I have a Dream.”

“One thing, I pray that Brother Martin Luther King will certainly soon wake up. He loves his people; there’s no doubt. But if he just only see where his inspiration. ... Just—just like Hitler did, over in Germany, led them right into a death trap.”

*The Third Exodus, June 30, 1963*



➔ Find more information in the Appendix, page 213



Sep. 1, 1963    Token

Jeffersonville, IN

Sep. 1, 1963    Desperations

Jeffersonville, IN

Quite often, one can see a clear picture of the Message just by considering the titles of individual sermons. We can even see God's leadership in titles, dates for special titles, and sequential sermons. Brother Branham often declared that if he had ever preached anything inspired, it was *The Seven Seals*. However, he called his sermon *Token*, the highlight of his ministry. This should give some idea of the importance he placed on it. The message in the two sermon titles above is clearly the importance of the Token and should throw us into desperation:

"I believe, since the message this morning from God, not me, I believe it ought to throw this entire congregation into desperation, that we have played long enough. We've went to church long enough. We got to do something. How is it that we can see other great signs and wonders done on others, and what about us? It should cause an estate of desperation, that we are determined, before God."

*Desperations*, September 1, 1963



"Speak to Those Winds"

Brother Branham often stated that the Third Pull will come to the church only in a time of great trouble. Brother Branham said this great trouble will come when the World Council of Churches attempts to force all churches into one great church. The Third Pull had several aspects including the **tent vision** and the **little room Brother Branham saw** on the stage, **The King's Sword** which Brother Branham was allowed to hold in Sabino Canyon, the **opening of the Seven Seals**, **preaching to the lost**, and the **still small Voice** that often spoke to Brother Branham. During the fourth manifestation of the Third Pull, God allowed a very dangerous blizzard to form on a mountaintop where Brother Branham had been hunting and told him to go back into the storm. He sent Brother Branham directly into the center of a blizzard and told him to "speak to those winds." The only means of escape was for God to display His strength and power as He calmed the storm.

"And I turned and went back to the saddle, feeling my way back. Oh, sleet getting harder and harder, getting darker and darker. And I set down there, and just put my coat up like this, or my shirt over the scope again; set down. I thought, 'What am I doing here? Why would I come back up here?' And I just waited a few minutes. (continued)



And I started to get up again, and just as plain as I'd ever want to hear, a Voice said, 'I am the Creator of heavens and earth. I make the wind and the rain.' I took off my hat; I said, 'Great Jehovah, is that You?' He said, 'I was the One Who made the winds to cease upon the sea. I was the One Who made the waves to go down. I created heavens and earth. Was not I not the One that told you to speak to those—for squirrels, and they come into existence? I am God.'

Now, when a voice speaks to you, watch the Scripture. If it's not Scriptural, you leave it alone; I don't care how plain it is, you stay away from it. I said, 'Yes, Lord.' He said, 'Speak to those winds and that storm, and it'll go away.' Now, this Bible lays before me, which my life is in That. I raised up; I said, 'I do not doubt Your Voice, Lord.' I said, 'Clouds, snow, rain, sleet, I resent your coming. In the Name of Jesus Christ, go to your places. I say that the sun must come out immediately and shine for four days, till our hunting trip is over and I leave with my brethren.' It was just gushing, just went, 'Whoosssh,' like that. And it started go-going, 'Whoosh'; then went, 'whew, whew, whew, whew.' Stopped. I stood real still. My brethren up there, and wondering what was happening. And the sleet, rain stopped. There came a wind whirling down through the mountains, lifted up the clouds, and one went this way: east, north, west, and south. And within a few minutes, the sun was shining nice and warm."

*He That Is in You*, November 10, 1963



*Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon.*

JOSHUA 10:12



## I Was Young Again

“And so, as I went along like that, something taken place. All of a sudden, in every motion, principle, I was a boy; I thought as a boy. I had my head down, and I looked up. And just as plain as I ever saw her, there she stood before me with her arms out. And I stopped, rubbed my face; I looked. I Said, ‘Meda, is that you, Honey?’ I looked here; I thought, ‘Now, what’s happened?’ And I thought, ‘Yes, I’m walking with Him.’ And it changed then, I was back an old man again; and the vision was gone from front of me. And I stopped; I took my hat off again, put it over my heart. I said, ‘Jesus, my heart has been so burdened, for years. I don’t have to tell You that I’m burdened. I’ve repented; I’ve repented; I’ve done everything I know. And why has it this burden don’t leave me?’”

*He That Is in You*, November 10, 1963

After that Brother Branham was descending from the mountain when he saw three deer appear in front of him. Being an accomplished hunter, his first thought was to shoot them, but then he remembered his promise to the Lord.

## "I'll Never Leave You. I'll Never Forsake You"

“They [the three deer] stood there a little while, and walked up close to eat out of my hands almost, turned around and looked all at me, like that, and walked on off, stand and looked back again, walked right on out in the woods. And I was standing there. I thought, ‘That’s unusual for deer. Wonder if it’s because that the Lord Jesus is here, His Presence?’ And just then a Voice spoke to me, said, ‘You remembered your promise, didn’t you?’ I knew it was Him. I said, ‘Yes, Lord.’ He said, ‘So do I remember Mine. I’ll never leave you. I’ll never forsake you.’ That burden lifted. Christian friends, it hasn’t been back since. That was last October. I’ve been a different person.”



*God’s Word Calls for a Total Separation from Unbelief*, January 21, 1964



Oct. 28, 1963	Pardon	Tucson, AZ
Nov. 3, 1963	Go, Wake Jesus	Tucson, AZ
Nov. 10, 1963	Souls That Are in Prison Now	Jeffersonville, IN



## J. C. Penney Store



*It was this J. C. Penney Store*

Brother Branham often said the natural is a shadow of the spiritual. In the fall of 1963, Brother Branham saw a striking example of this principle at a J. C. Penney department store in Tucson, Arizona. While shopping at the store, Brother Branham saw several women riding up the escalator. They were wearing green eye shadow. The scene deeply affected him because it reminded him of a vision of hell he had seen as a fourteen-year-old boy. What he had seen in hell, 40 years ago, was beginning to seep through to this dimension. This experience led him to a shocking conclusion: just as God was displaying His whole glory and power through the ministry of a prophet, Satan was revealing himself more and more through his servants. In the message *Souls That Are in Prison Now*, he asked the following question: “What if that could be the Third Pull, to the eternally lost?”

“Thought then, as I noticed them cankered-looking eyes on them women. There were the Spanish, the French, and Indian, and white, and all together, but that great big heads, you know, bushed up, with that combs, the way they comb it back, way big, and then comes out. You know, you know how they do it, fix it in like they do it. And then them cankered-looking eyes, and the eyes with the paint, they run back like a cat’s eyes. And them talking, and there I was again, standing there in J. C. Penney store, back in hell again. I got so scared. I thought, ‘Lord, surely I haven’t died, and You’ve let me come to this place after all.’ And there they were, making... just around like that, in that vision like, you could just barely hear it with your ears, you know. Just the mumble and going on, of people, and them women coming up that escalator and walking around there, and that, ‘Ooh, ooh!’ There was them green, funny-looking eyes, and mournful.”

*Souls That Are in Prison Now*, November 10, 1963

*Souls That Are in Prison Now*, November 10, 1963



*And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men. And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions. And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle. And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their power was to hurt men five months. And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.*

REVELATION 9:7-11

➔ *Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, page 186/187*

## After A Calling out Back to Babylon?

Many times Brother Branham refers to David du Plessis, of South Africa, as his co-worker and bosom friend. No doubt, Brother du Plessis, or “Mr. Pentecost,” as he was later called, became one of the most influential men of the charismatic movement. But here, the prophet warns him not to take Pentecost back to the World Council of Churches.

“The Council of Churches over there now, that’s meeting in Rome. This circular letter that my good friend, David duPlessis; when I set there and cried to him about it, at Fourteen-Mile Creek, not long ago; not realize he swung the church right into Babylon, when everybody saying, ‘Oh, all the churches is going to be one now.’



Wartburg Castle in Germany where Martin Luther translated the New Testament into peoples’ language (instead of Latin)

Yeah, I know that, see, just exactly what’s wrote on my book of prophecy in 1933, that would take place. Why, don’t you realize that’s Satan uniting together? The Bible says that. And just after a bit, just a little while, as soon as they become one, then the interdenominational is finished, see. There will be your mark of the beast, right. See?”

*Souls That Are in Prison Now*, November 10, 1963

➔ Find more information in the Appendix, page 215



Nov. 10, 1963	He That Is in You	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 12, 1963	Sir, We Would See Jesus	New York, NY
Nov. 13, 1963	The Sign of This Time	New York, NY
Nov. 14, 1963	Influence	New York, NY
Nov. 15, 1963	The World Is Falling Apart	New York, NY
Nov. 16, 1963	Investments	New York, NY
Nov. 16, 1963	Perseverance	New York, NY
Nov. 17, 1963	Once More	New York, NY
Nov. 18, 1963	I Am the Resurrection and Life	Campbellsville, KY

November  
22, 1963

## John F. Kennedy Is Killed in Dallas, Texas

On November 22, 1963, United States President John F. Kennedy was assumedly assassinated by Lee Harvey Oswald. Brother Branham never minced words and called Kennedy a “modern Ahab” several times. But, when Brother Branham commented on the event two days later in the sermon *What Shall I Do with Jesus Called Christ?*, he still had compassion for the Kennedy family. He did not agree with what Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy had done, but he made it quite clear that he was not rebuking Kennedy the man, he was speaking against the spirit in Kennedy.



“Now, I’m sure this morning that we’re all aware of the great sadness that’s happened to this nation, of the loss of our President, Mr. Kennedy. Though I disagreed with the man in his politics and in his religion, but yet he doesn’t deserve to die like that. No. And leave those little children behind, and no daddy. And a mother that’s ... Mrs. Kennedy, though I certainly wouldn’t agree with her, and her ways, and things, maybe, but, remember, she’s a mother. She just lost her babies, and she lost her husband. And he fell right in her lap, and her own husband’s blood poured out over her lap. That’s awful. Did you ever think ... Sometimes we think she sets a pace for the nation, in styles, and things. That may be so too. But did you know, Mrs. Kennedy never did hear one of these messages I preach about that. If she might hear one of them messages, she might do different. And some of our sisters that hear it, and still won’t cope with it. See, see, see?”

*What Shall I Do with Jesus Called Christ?* November 24, 1963

The sermons *Three Kinds of Believers* and *What Shall I Do with Jesus Called Christ?* showed how Brother Branham’s ministry directly mirrored the ministry of Jesus Christ. This parallel continued even as his ministry was rejected and demeaned by the mainstream religions. Brother Branham declared in *What Shall I Do with Jesus Called Christ?* that the denominations mistreated the Message in the same way they had mistreated Jesus when He was on earth. The sermon’s title was taken from Matthew 27:22, where Pilate asked the multitudes, who had just chosen Barabbas instead of Jesus, “What shall I do with Jesus called Christ?” The crowd chose to crucify Jesus. Brother Branham turned the question around and asked, “What will YOU do with this Jesus?”

“Jesus is on the hands of the people. It’s on the hands of the church. What will you do with this Jesus that’s called the anointed Word? The ‘Christ’ means the ‘Anointed Word.’ ‘What will you do with this Jesus?’ Pilate said, ‘What shall I do with It? What—what’s my move? What can I do with this Jesus that’s called Christ?’ What did the world call out? What did the church call out? ‘Crucify It. Stop It. We don’t want It no more.’”

*What Shall I Do with Jesus Called Christ?* November 24, 1963

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 165 + 212



Nov. 24, 1963	What Shall I Do with Jesus Called Christ?	Jeffersonville, IN
Nov. 24, 1963	Three Kinds of Believers	Jeffersonville, IN



### Sister Branham Is Healed of a Tumor



During Brother Branham’s ministry, the fifth and last manifestation of the Third Pull occurred on November 27, 1963. He was commanded by God, “Stand up.” Said, “Now, whatever you say, that’s the way it’ll be.” Brother Branham spoke and a grapefruit-size tumor vanished from the body of his wife, Meda.

“Just then I heard something in the room. I looked up, and a voice said, ‘Stand up.’ Said, ‘Now, whatever you say, that’s the way it’ll be.’ I waited just a minute. I said, ‘Before the doctor’s hand shall touch her, the hand of God shall take the tumor away, and it won’t even be found.’ That settled it, to me. I never called her. Now, there’s my wife, and we’re both before God. But before the doctor’s hand could even touch her body, on the road coming to her like that, something happened. The tumor left. And they couldn’t even ... He said—I believe it was, wasn’t it, Sweetheart? ‘I want to reassure you, Mrs. Branham,’ (Is that right the way he said it? That’s right.) ‘that that tumor isn’t there. You don’t have any tumor.’ What was it? Just exactly according to the Word of the Lord that was ... Amen. That’s the fifth time. Five is the number of grace, a number of f-a-i-t-h, too. There’s no more doubt in my mind. I know what the Third Pull is, and I know what it does. Now be reverent, just keep quiet, the hour will soon arrive where God is going to do some great things for us.”

Look Away to Jesus, December 29, 1963

➔ Find more information in the Appendix, page 217



Nov. 27, 1963	The World Is Again Falling Apart	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 28, 1963	Testimony	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 28, 1963	The Token	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 29, 1963	The Super Sign	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 30, 1963	Influence	Shreveport, LA

Nov. 30, 1963	Go, Awake Jesus	Shreveport, LA
Dec. 1, 1963	Wedding Ceremony	Shreveport, LA
Dec. 1, 1963	An Absolute	Shreveport, LA
Dec. 1, 1963	Just Once More, Lord	Shreveport, LA
Dec.14, 1963	Why Little Bethlehem	Phoenix, AZ
Dec.16, 1963	We Have Seen His Star and Have Come ...	Tucson, AZ
Dec.22, 1963	God's Gifts Always Find Their Places	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec.26, 1963	Church Order	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec.29, 1963	There Is a Man Here That Can Turn on ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Dec.29, 1963	Look Away to Jesus	Jeffersonville, IN



## Pope Paul VI Visiting Jerusalem



On January 4, 1964, Pope Paul VI became the first pope to visit Jerusalem. Diplomatically, the Vatican had never officially recognized Israel's existence. (The Vatican did not publically recognize Israel until 1994, during the papacy of John Paul II. Even Yasser Arafat and the Palestinian Liberation Organization had recognized Israel's right to exist six years earlier.) What relations existed between Rome and Jerusalem in 1964 were very estranged because of Pope Pius XII's actions during the Holocaust. Pope Paul VI's visit coincided with a total lunar eclipse. Brother Branham did not see this as a coincidence. He declared it meant the church – symbolized in the Bible by the moon – had moved into complete darkness.

“... The total darkness came as the Pope of Rome (Paul the Sixth) went to Palestine to make a holy tour of Jerusalem. He was the first pope to ever go to Jerusalem. The pope is named Paul the Sixth. Paul was the first messenger, and this man goes by that name. Notice it is the sixth, or the number of man. This is more than a coincidence. And when he went to Jerusalem, the moon or the church went into total darkness. This is it. This is the end. This generation shall not pass away until all be fulfilled. Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly!”

*Laodicean Church Age, Church Age Book*

➔ *Find more pictures in the Appendix, page 168*



Jan. 12, 1964	Shalom	Sierra Vista, AZ
Jan. 19, 1964	Shalom	Phoenix, AZ

## Shalom

Shalom, an ancient Jewish greeting and salutation meaning “peace,” was the opening theme of the prophet in 1964. This greeting was not only to welcome a new year, it was to announce the dawning of a new era.



*ARISE, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.*

ISAIAH 60:1-2

“Now, ‘good morning’ means ‘peace.’ Darkness is gathering. What’s it gathering for? To show the Light. Isaiah 60:1, ‘Rise and shine, for the light is come to you.’ That’s the reason I can say shalom; the Light has come to you, God’s peace to the elected woman, to the elected lady, those who God, before the foundation of the world, called out and ordained to that. The rest of them will never see it. They’ll never know nothing about it.”

*Shalom*, January 19, 1964

“Now, to you adults, the Scripture is God’s Symphony. Yes. Hallelujah. Only the Composer knows what it really means, and He reveals it to those who are listening, who are interested in knowing what the drama is. But you’d have to know about a sympathy first. See? It’s not just something you see; it’s the—the changing, the junctions of the Word, or of the music. It throws; sometime it’s going this way for a while, a certain beat; after a while it changes all around. What is it? To you who wouldn’t understand It or don’t know nothing about It, not interested in It, it’s just a racket, it’s a fuss. But to those who know about It, they’re watching for It; they know It’s coming. Hallelujah.”

*Shalom*, January 12, 1964

Early 1964 showed Brother Branham was overwhelmed by the five different manifestations of the Third Pull. In the messages *His Unfailing Words of Promise* and *God’s Word Calls for a Total Separation from Unbelief*, Brother Branham gave an account of the latest events in his life.



Jan. 20, 1964	His Unfailing Words of Promise	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 21, 1964	God’s Word Calls for a Total Separation from ...	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 22, 1964	Looking Unto Jesus	Phoenix, AZ



Jan. 25, 1964 Turn on the Light

Phoenix, AZ

Jan. 26, 1964 What Shall We Do with This Jesus Called Christ?

Phoenix, AZ



## History of... America Rejects Her Opportunity



Many times Brother Branham drew comparisons between the literal history of Israel and the spiritual history of the United States. Both were founded on the Word of God, both had great leaders such as King David and Abraham Lincoln respectively. Both nations also had corrupt and evil leaders like Ahab and President Kennedy; and both countries fell into a state of moral apostasy; and both had the prophet Elijah to teach the ways of the Lord. Before God judged Israel, He would send a prophet to warn them of the consequences of not repenting. God also did that in our day. The coming of a prophet is a sign of grace, but to reject the prophet's message always leads to destruction. In 1956, Brother Branham saw America, in a vision, and by association with the world, she was faced with either accepting or rejecting his ministry.

"I—I just feel that we haven't got much time now. And I'll predict it. I don't say this is the Lord saying this now, I—I'm predicting that this year America will receive Christ or reject Christ. See? I believe this will be the turning point, that America will go in—we'll have a revival in this day, or we won't have a revival. And I believe that this is the year that America will make its decision. And I trust that they'll make it, and we will have a great revival that'll just sweep ... We're having much preaching and much evangelism, but we need a revival, don't we? A real revival, that's what we need."

*Making a Way, March 4, 1956*

In 1962, Brother Branham declared America had rejected his ministry and the revival was over.

"If God willing, I'm giving a try now of evangelism. We know the revival's over. Everyone knows that. I predicted that back in '56 when it would start ending. Billy Graham come back, and Tommy Osborn, and them. I said, 'This is it. America will receive it or reject it this year.' And they rejected it. We're nothing waiting but judgment. Now, you mark that down and see if Brother Branham's right or not. That's THUS SAITH THE LORD. We're headed for it, and we're going to pay for what we've done. We got too much glamour in the church, and Hollywood and everything. God's sick and tired of it. The last one will come in after while, and that'll be it."

*A Testimony on the Sea, July 20, 1962*



## Abu Simbel

Abu Simbel is situated in southern Egypt and well known for its two massive rock temples. Pharaoh Ramesses II had the temples sculpted out of a mountainside during the 13th century BC. The matching temples were built to memorialize Ramesses II and his wife Nefertari. Though the Pharaohs were considered gods, Ramesses II did not foresee the building of the Aswan High Dam reservoir thousands of years later in the 20th century. To avoid the ruin of the magnificent temples, part of Unesco’s World Heritage Site known as the ‘Nubian Monuments’ were relocated beginning in 1964 to a manmade hill high above Lake Nasser, the mammoth reservoir that would be formed by the damming of the Nile River.



In the time of Moses, Egypt was the superpower of the world. History has proven superpowers eventually fall, and once they do they never rise again. The Incan, Mayan, Persian, Babylonian, Egyptian, Mongolian, and Roman civilizations all rose to great heights of power, then crumbled. More modern examples include the Spanish Empire, the British Empire, Nazism, and the USSR. The next to fall will be America. (She is in this process at this very time.) Revivals, like superpowers, are great movements and once they die never come back. Of all the great cultures or superpowers in history, only one nation has fallen and then risen again: Israel. But even so, Israel has not reclaimed its full power, nor geographical expanse. In the same way, the Bride was promised a revival through the restoration of the fullness of the Word of God. (She is in the process at this very time.)

“That poor Smyrnaean Age was dying. When it died, it never came back. No age ever comes back. No revival ever comes back. It can’t have the life of God in it by natural generation. It takes a regeneration from above. This last age started with the fires of a Pentecostal revival and they organized it right back. Instead of taking the Word they took their own ideas and did just what every age has done—substituted the manual for the Word.”

*Smyrnaean Church Age, Church Age Book*



Feb. 5, 1964	God Is His Own Interpreter	Bakersfield, CA
Feb. 6, 1964	Paradox	Bakersfield, CA
Feb. 6, 1964	God’s Provided Way for This Day	Bakersfield, CA
Feb. 7, 1964	The Patriarch Abraham	Bakersfield, CA



## The Beatles Start Their First U.S. Tour - Beatlemania Begins in America

The full influence of The Beatles on music, popular culture, and the lives of the young and old around the world will probably never be known while we are on earth. The mass hysteria that followed The Beatles throughout the band's tenure was symptomatic of their influence. Wherever they arrived, "Beatlemania" was there to greet them. Their first U.S. tour in 1964 was so successful it was dubbed the "British Invasion." But, below the smiles and ecstatic crowds Brother Branham saw something sinister. He declared The Beatles' tour was "Satan on a mock campaign." In *Questions and Answers* 1964, Brother Branham quotes The Beatles' press officer saying exactly that.

"The Beatles wonder about themselves and draw no answers. 'It's incredible, absolutely incredible!' says Derek Taylor, the Beatles' press officer, 'Here are these four boys from Liverpool. They're rude; they're profane; they're vulgar; and they've taken over the world. It's as if they'd founded a new religion. They're completely Antichrist. I mean; I'm Antichrist as well; but they're so Antichrist they shock me, which isn't an easy thing. But I'm obsessed with them. Isn't everybody? I'm obsessed with their honesty, and the people who like them most are the people who should be outraged most. In Australia, for example, each time we'd arrive at an airport, it was as if deGaulle had landed, or better yet, the Messiah. The routes were lined solid. Cripples threw away their sticks. Sick people rushed up to the car, as if a touch from one of the boys would make them well again. Old women stood watching with their grandchildren as we'd pass by. I could see the look on their faces. It was as if some savior had arrived and all these people were happy and relieved, as if things somehow were going to be better now.' Taylor paused and stuck a cigarette in his mouth, 'The only thing left for The Beatles,' he said, 'is to go on a healing tour.'"

*Questions and Answers* #2, August 23, 1964



→ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 164 + 216



## The U.S. Dollar Bill



Brother Branham many times emphasized the pyramid symbol on the back of the American one dollar bill. He said the capstone represented Christ and the bottom of the pyramid represented the church. Paul was responsible for laying the foundation of the church, in the first church age. William Branham, the messenger to the seventh and last church age, would complete the pyramid by placing Jesus Christ as the capstone.

“Look and what ... do ... If you got a dollar bill in your pocket, take it out. On one side, the right side, it’s got the American seal, a eagle with the arrows in his paw. That’s the seal of the United States. Then on the other side it’s got the pyramid. And the cap never was put on the pyramid. It’s got like a big eye shining there for the cap, and it said ‘The Great Seal.’

Why would that be the Great Seal in the United States instead of our own seal? Did you ever think of it? Look on it, see if it don’t say ‘The Great Seal.’ Why wasn’t the pyramid ever had a cap on it? Same thing is in the temple of Solomon: the headstone was rejected. Certainly. But it’s coming down .... But look; right where that headstone’s supposed to fit, it’s honed.

If they ever could find the headstone, it would fit just so perfectly snug it would bind the whole thing together. That’s the Bride of Jesus Christ. When the headstone comes, there will be a church here on earth to receive it. It’ll have a ministry just exactly like His. It’ll just go right in there, bringing up the feet, Luther, and all the rest of them for the resurrection.”

*The Signs of His Coming, April 7, 1962*



*Please compare with page 73*



Feb. 8, 1964	The Token	Bakersfield, CA
Feb. 9, 1964	Countdown	Bakersfield, CA
Feb. 12, 1964	When Their Eyes Were Opened, They ...	Tulare, CA
Feb. 13, 1964	Then Jesus Came and Called	Tulare, CA
Feb. 14, 1964	The Voice of the Sign	Tulare, CA
Feb. 15, 1964	Influences	Tulare, CA
Feb. 16, 1964	Identification	Tulare, CA

## *New Fashion According to Vision*

World fashion dramatically changed in 1964. New, daring, and immodest clothes were released by designers worldwide. Two of the most influential items from that period were the topless bikini, designed by Rudi Gernreich, and the miniskirt, designed by Mary Quant.

The changing fashions brought to pass the beginning of the realization of the fifth of seven visions Brother Branham recorded in 1933. With each passing year, since 1964, we have become more and more desensitized to public nudity. We now have the fulfillment of this fifth vision; we clearly see the terrible perversion and moral plight of the whole world.

➔ *Find more information in the Appendix, page 202*



*Mary Quant*



Mar. 4, 1964	Sirs, We Would See Jesus	Dallas, TX
Mar. 5, 1964	Perseverant	Dallas, TX
Mar. 6, 1964	A Greater Than Solomon Is Here Now	Dallas, TX
Mar. 7, 1964	A Testimony on the Sea	Dallas, TX
Mar. 8, 1964	The Token	Dallas, TX
Mar. 11, 1964	God Is Identified by His Characteristics	Beaumont, TX
Mar. 12, 1964	When Their Eyes Were Opened, They ...	Beaumont, TX
Mar. 13, 1964	The Voice of the Sign	Beaumont, TX



## "Judgment Striking the West Coast"



One of the major principles in the Bible, concerning prophets, is that God sends both mercy and judgment through the ministry of His prophets. Mercy is there for whoever will accept it. But, when the world, even the church world, rejects that mercy, all that is left is judgment. Brother Branham hinted at the judgment to come on February 29, 1964, when the voice of the Angel of the Lord spoke to Brother Branham telling him, "**Pick up a rock and throw it into the air.**" When he did, it fell back on the ground and Brother Branham said, "THUS SAITH THE LORD, something big is fixing to happen." He also told his friends that within 24 hours they would see the glory of the Lord first hand.

The next day, March 1, a whirlwind roared through the canyon and ascended and descended over Brother Branham three times. The tops of trees close by were chopped off and a portion of the canyon wall was blasted off and the rocks that fell in their campsite were pyramid shaped. When asked what the whirlwind represented, Brother Branham told his hunting partners the visitation was a prophetic sign of impending **judgment for the West Coast** of America. Twenty-seven days later it began....

A year later, Brother Branham described the scene.

"I started to walk around. Then I heard the Voice of God speak, said, 'Get out of the way, quickly.' Roy Roberson standing there, knowing he was a veteran of the war, I put my hand on his shoulder; I said, 'Brother Roy, hide as quick as you can.' Said, 'What's the matter?' I said, 'Get out of the way; hide.' And just started walking around, put my shovel down, turned around, took off my hat. And here He come, the glory of God falling in a whirlwind that tore the side of the mountain out like that, and blasted and shook the place like that, cut the top of the bushes out; just about three or four, five feet above my head. Went back up like a funnel like that; it blasted again. And here it come, three times.

Then when it left, the third time, Brother Banks come over, said, 'That's what you was talking about?' I said, 'Yes.' Said, 'What was it?' I said, 'God appears in whirlwinds.' I didn't know whether He wanted me to tell the people or not. Then I went on and prayed a little bit. Then He told me I could tell them. I said, 'It's judgment striking the West Coast.' Look at her today. Look what happened a few hours after that: Alaska sunk. And now the whole thing's going under. We're entering into the judgment; mercy's been spurned."

*Spiritual Food in Due Season, July 18, 1965*

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 188/189



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## *The Pillar of Fire in Dallas, Texas*

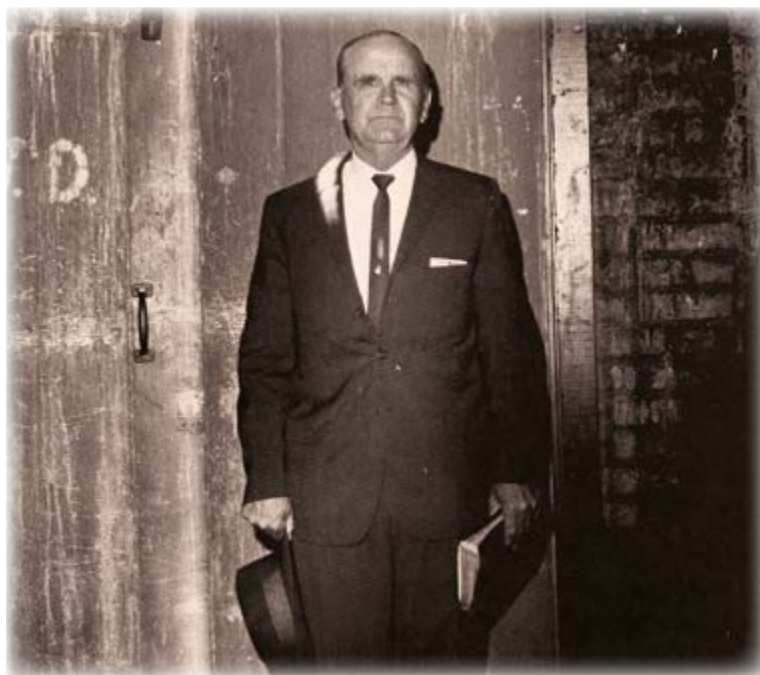
God faithfully guided Brother Branham to the very end of his life. We can see evidence of that constant Presence in this picture taken on March 8, 1964. It is a beautiful picture! After being rejected by the denominations, his ministry was relegated to less glamorous locations like this one. He stands in front of a simple old church door, Bible in one hand and his hat in the other. We see God's eagle to this generation gazing sternly forward. On his right shoulder is the Pillar of Fire.

The Pillar of Fire accompanied Brother Branham until the very last moment of his life. But that presence of God did not depart when Brother Branham's earthly ministry ended. It still accompanies the Message that Brother Branham preached. This is not William Branham's Message, although it is uniquely connected with his position as prophet. **It is God's Message.**

“God gives signs to attract the attention of His people. Now, let's study this, thoroughly. See, signs are given to attract the attention of the people. Because, when a God-sent sign is given, God is ready to speak. God is ready to speak when the sign is given.

If it comes from heaven, it's from God, and God is ready to speak and is trying to attract the people's attention. And the Word comes to His prophet. And the prophet is identified by the sign that he shows, and then he comes to the Word and the Word is made manifest. That settles it.”

*The Voice of the Sign, March 13, 1964*



March  
27, 1964

## Alaska Earthquake in Prince William Sound



In the sermon *This Day This Scripture is Fulfilled*, Brother Branham recounted the story of a whirlwind which came down three times over his head and represented three judgments to take place along the West Coast of America. He referred back to, “**Judgment strikes the West Coast,**” which explained the original pronouncement, delivered on March 1, 1964.

The first incident came on Good Friday, March 27, 1964, when an earthquake with a magnitude of 9.2 struck **Prince William Sound**. Alaska was shaken and the Alaskan coast was flooded by a tsunami. The next major earthquake, registering 6.5 magnitude, occurred in **western Washington, centered between Seattle and Tacoma**, the morning of April 29, 1965.

Brother Branham predicted the third earthquake would be centered in the **Los Angeles, California** area; and a great deal of the coastline would fall into the ocean. Scientists predict this will be a quake of unprecedented magnitude.







Mar. 14, 1964	The Investments	Beaumont, TX
Mar. 15, 1964	Influence	Beaumont, TX
Mar. 18, 1964	Sir, We Would See Jesus	Denham Springs, LA
Mar. 19, 1964	Calling Jesus on the Scene	Denham Springs, LA
Mar. 20, 1964	God Identifying Himself by His ...	Denham Springs, LA
Mar. 21, 1964	He Was to Pass This Way	Baton Rouge, LA
Mar. 21, 1964	The Voice of the Sign	Denham Springs, LA
Mar. 22, 1964	Possessing the Gate of the Enemy ...	Denham Springs, LA
Apr. 1, 1964	The Identified Christ of All Ages	Louisville, MS
Apr. 2, 1964	Jehovah-Jireh #1	Louisville, MS
Apr. 3, 1964	Jehovah-Jireh #2	Louisville, MS
Apr. 4, 1964	Jehovah-Jireh #3	Louisville, MS
Apr. 5, 1964	A Trial	Louisville, MS
Apr. 9, 1964	The Identification of Christ in All Ages	Birmingham, AL
Apr. 10, 1964	Scriptural Signs of the Time	Birmingham, AL
Apr. 11, 1964	Spiritual Amnesia	Birmingham, AL
Apr. 12, 1964	A Court Trial	Birmingham, AL
Apr. 15, 1964	Christ Is Identified the Same in All ...	Tampa, FL
Apr. 16, 1964	And When Their Eyes Were Opened, They ...	Tampa, FL
Apr. 17, 1964	Then Jesus Came and Called	Tampa, FL
Apr. 18, 1964	A Paradox	Tampa, FL
Apr. 18, 1964	Jesus Keeps All His Appointments	Tampa, FL
Apr. 19, 1964	The Trial	Tampa, FL
Apr. 27, 1964	A Trial	Tucson, AZ
May 31, 1964	The Oddball	Prescott, AZ
Jun. 14, 1964	The Unveiling of God	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 14, 1964	The Oddball	Jeffersonville, IN
Jun. 17, 1964	The Identified Christ of All Ages	Topeka, KS
Jun. 18, 1964	The Presence of God Unrecognized	Topeka, KS
Jun. 19, 1964	Perseverant	Topeka, KS
Jun. 20, 1964	Who Is Jesus?	Topeka, KS
Jun. 20, 1964	God Has a Provided Lamb	Topeka, KS
Jun. 21, 1964	The Trial	Topeka, KS
Jun. 29, 1964	The Mighty God Unveiled before Us	Philadelphia, PA

## Revealing God's Mind

Using the gift of the first pull, Brother Branham discerned the diseases of the people he came in contact with, according to Hebrews 4:12. Through the second pull, he revealed the thoughts and intents of people. But, the Third Pull was even greater.

God revealed the secrets of His very heart to Brother Branham, and a mighty revelation of the Godhead followed. This is especially apparent in 1964 when Brother Branham preached messages of such high caliber: *The Unveiling of God*, *The Identified Christ of All Ages*, *The Presence of God Unrecognized*, *Who Is Jesus?* and *The Mighty God Unveiled before Us*.

In *The Laodicean Church Age* he makes the statement that **“It will be these divinely revealed ‘mystery truths’ that literally turn the hearts of the children to the Pentecostal fathers,”** fulfilling Malachi 4:6.

Thousands of times in the prayer lines the prophet asks the question, “Is this all true?” and the people acknowledged it was all true. The greatest gift of all was when the prophet began to reveal the very heart and mind of God, as he explained the previously hidden mysteries of the Word.



Jul. 5, 1964

The Masterpiece

Jeffersonville, IN

Jul. 5, 1964

Interview of Sister Bruce

Jeffersonville, IN

## Preview of the Bride

In the message *The Masterpiece*, Brother Branham told the church about a vision God showed him while he was sitting in a parking lot of a shopping center in Jeffersonville. In the vision he watched the various end-time churches marching past a reviewing stand. First came the Bride of Christ beautifully dressed and with her magnificent long hair. The various churches that followed were products of the denominations. Each country worse than the previous and all were inappropriately dressed. The church of the United States was the worst. The leader looked like a witch and she led the others gyrating to “Rock n’ Roll” music. They had “short frizzy-looking hair” and wore immoral clothing with only a thin strap above their waists. Brother Branham was heartbroken to think he had been preaching so long and this was the church of the United States of America. Then a voice spoke to him and said, “Wait! The Bride must come again.” This time the Bride of Christ passed by representing a bride from every nation, each dressed as beautifully as the Bride Brother Branham had first seen.

“Then He turned me to the right side, and He showed me each church as they’ve come up out of the ages. And, oh, how vulgar! And the last one was this last-day church age, which was led by a witch. And they were so immorally dressed, so filthy-looking! And they were marching to the time of twist and rock-and-roll.”

*Recognizing Your Day and Its Message*, July 26, 1964

**Note of the editor:** Here again it is very significant how the Beatlemania (Page 113) had an impact on the church and how God had to change the ministry of the prophet from a denominational revivalist to an Eliezer ministry. It becomes obvious that the Angel of Revelation 3 and this Eliezer had to be the selfsame person. He had to be rejected to hunt a bride outside the camp.

“I fell into a trance. And when I did, there was somebody with me. I didn’t see the person. It was just a voice. And I—I looked. And as I—I looked this way, he said, ‘The Bride will come in view for preview.’ And I looked, coming to me, and I seen the most—the most prettiest bunch of clean-dressed women I ever seen in my life. But each one of them, looked like, was dressed different. They all had long hair, and they were ... longer sleeves and skirts, and so forth, young women ... They looked kind of, I’d say about, maybe, twenty.”

*The Masterpiece*, July 5, 1964

“And you might’ve wondered a few minutes ago why I was so long coming out. My first duty as I come into the new church, I married a young man and woman standing in the office. May it be a type that I’ll be a loyal minister to Christ to get a Bride ready for the ceremonies of that day.”

*God Hiding Himself in Simplicity, then Revealing Himself in the Same*, March 17, 1963



*Brother Branham at a wedding ceremony*



Jul. 19, 1964	The Feast of the Trumpets	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 19, 1964	Going beyond the Camp	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 26, 1964	Recognizing Your Day and Its ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 26, 1964	Broken Cisterns	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 2, 1964	The Future Home of the Heavenly ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 16, 1964	Proving His Word	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 23, 1964	Questions and Answers #1	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 23, 1964	Questions and Answers #2	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 30, 1964	Questions and Answers #3	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 30, 1964	Questions and Answers #4	Jeffersonville, IN

## *From the Garden of Eden to Today*

In the late 1950s, and especially the early 1960s, Brother Branham's ministry changed from attracting attention to the Word to revealing the Word. The revealing of the Word was not limited to *The Seven Seals* series, but every message thereafter brought more light to God's eternal plan. The great, yet true, story has been unfolding since the Garden of Eden, coming to a climax and a conclusion in this age and generation.

It is about God and His Bride. In the second half of 1964, Brother Branham emphasized how this drama started in Eden, and unfolds until the Millennium and the "New Jerusalem." He brings out monumental messages like *The Masterpiece*, *The Feast of the Trumpets*, *The Future Home of the Heavenly Bridegroom and the Earthly Bride*, and *The Harvest Time*.

## *Hostility Against Israel*



The "Arab League Summit" of 1964, in Cairo and Alexandria, began a new wave of hostility toward Israel. The attendees of the summit decided to increase pressure on Israel by diverting the river Jordan, thereby seriously diminishing Israel's water supply. This summit also gave birth to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) led by Ahmad Shukeiri.

In January 1965, another terror organization called "Al-Fatah" was officially founded by Yasser Arafat with the single goal of destroying Israel. The next military confrontation between Israel and the Arab nations was the Six Day War in 1967. That conflict ended with an amazing, historic, and poignant victory for the State of Israel: after 2500 years, Jerusalem and its holy places were again under Jewish control.



## History of... The State of Israel



“However, now notice. Israel—God had to harden Pharaoh’s heart to drive them out the first time. And He done the same thing this time. He hardened Hitler’s heart against the Jews; that’s what started the war. Remember, God said, ‘Ever who curses Israel, I’ll curse them. Who blesses Israel, I’ll bless him.’ And it was scattered all over the world. And then He hardened Hitler’s heart, hardened Mussolini’s heart, hardened Stalin’s heart. All the different hearts of the nation, He hardened them and finally opened up the way, and Israel is returning and already in her homeland.

If you want to see what day of the month it is, look on the calendar. If you want to see what day in the season it is of the coming of the Lord, watch where Israel’s setting. That’s God’s timepiece. There she is, setting in her homeland. The oldest flag in the world, the six point star of David, the oldest flag in the world flies again for the first time for twenty-five hundred years (Yes, sir.), yes, the ensign that was to be lifted up. Israel, Palestine blossoming as a rose, you read in the magazines, and watch how they come back, way down in Iran and so forth. LOOK magazine packed articles, how they went out after them Jews. They wouldn’t get on that airplane. That old Rabbi went out there, said, ‘Our prophet told us, Isaiah, hundreds of years ago, thousands of years ago, that when we come back to the homeland, we’d come back on the wings of an eagle.’ There it sets. Amen. They got right on and away they went.”

*The Mark of the Beast and the Seal of God #2, February 17, 1961*

“Why is it God so thought and cared so much about that little place of Palestine, see, when it’s just a little spot? But right in there is where the temple is set. That’s where the New Jerusalem will break up, right there. ‘Olive, Mount of Olive shall cleave, part to the right and left,’ sure, when she pushes up from the beneath. Not, they say, it’s pushing apart like this. It’s pushing up, ‘In that day when He stands His holy feet upon the Mountain.’”

*The Future Home of the Heavenly Bridegroom and the Earthly Bride, August 2, 1964*



*Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.*

MATTHEW 24:32-34

## *Edith Wright Receives Her Heavenly Reward*

Edith Wright was born in 1921, and died December 5, 1964. Shortly after her birth, her family believed she received a neck injury inhibiting the normal growth of her limbs. She was in constant pain and Brother Branham prayed for her healing when she was a small child. He told her to walk and she took the only steps of her life that night.

While she was not healed of her twisted limbs, the pain left her. She loved to read her Bible and asked Brother Branham questions about different Scriptures. He always referred to her as “little Edith,” even sending her postcards from all over the world. When her sister, Hattie Wright Mosier, first heard of a manifestation of the Third Pull and agreed with what Brother Branham was saying, the Holy Spirit told him to allow Sister Hattie, a recent widow, to ask for anything she wished.

Not knowing what to ask for, Brother Branham mentioned she could ask for the healing of her sister Edith, or money, of which she had very little. Instead, she asked for and was granted the salvation of her two sons.

Not everyone Brother Branham prayed for was healed. Another young child Brother Branham often prayed for was Garnett Peak, who suffered from a debilitating case of polio. Young Garnett, or a relative, would call Brother Branham for prayer when he took a turn for the worst, and the Lord would extend his time on earth, though never heal him. Neither Edith nor Garnett ever lost their love for the Lord Jesus, nor felt bitter about their lot in life.

Some churches believe the time of Divine healing is past, others believe if God doesn't heal the person that he has unconfessed sin and can't be healed. All healing comes from God and He is the sole decision maker of who is healed. As Christians, like Edith and Garnett, our duty is to believe and to allow the Lord to follow His plan for our lives. Faith like that of Edith and Garnett will insure a glorious reward, as they will no doubt tell us as they run to meet us when we all gather in Heaven.

“Listening in, in Jeffersonville now, there's a family named Wright. Brother Wood and I went down to see them. They make the communion wine for the church. Little Edith was setting there in the room, a little crippled girl, that she'd been sick all of her life, and so we'd always looked to God to heal her. Her sister, a widow, her husband had been killed; her name was Hattie, very humble little woman. And while Brother Banks and I went out to get her a rabbit, they'd cooked a big cherry cobbler; and made me set down and eat.”



“We was all setting around the table; we were talking about this; it just happened a few days before. And while was setting around the table, talking about this, all at once I said, ‘What could’ve happened?’”

I said, ‘Brother Wright, you’re an old man, hunted squirrels all your life. Brother Shelby, you’re an expert squirrel hunter. Brother Wood, so are you. I’ve hunted them since a kid. Did you ever see a squirrel in a sycamore and locust thicket?’ ‘No, sir.’ I said, ‘They just wasn’t there.’ I said, ‘The only thing I know, it’s just the same God. When Abraham needed a ram, He was Jehovah-jireh; He could provide for Himself.’ I said, ‘I believe it’s the same thing.’”

*I Have Heard But Now I See*, November 27, 1965

“Now, before we turn to this Book, let’s bow our head just a moment and speak to the Author. Now, with our heads bowed to the dust from where God took us, and if Jesus tarries we’ve got to return back that way someday. Just since I’ve been here I got a message from the east, that a little lady I knew—she’s a little girl named Edith Wright—passed on to meet God this afternoon at three o’clock. We got to go back. If there’s any here that would like to be remembered in the prayer, would you just raise your hand to God? God bless you.”

*The Identified Masterpiece of God*, December 5, 1964



*Polio struck Garnett when he was 15 years old*



Dec. 5, 1964	The Identified Masterpiece of God	Yuma, AZ
Dec. 12, 1964	The Harvest Time	Phoenix, AZ
Dec. 21, 1964	Why It Had to Be Shepherds	Tucson, AZ
Dec. 27, 1964	Who Do You Say This Is?	Phoenix, AZ

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Jan. 16, 1965	Wedding Ceremony	Tucson, AZ
Jan. 17, 1965	A Paradox	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 18, 1965	The Seed of Discrepancy	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 19, 1965	The God Who Is Rich in Mercy	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 20, 1965	Lean Not unto Thy Own...	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 23, 1965	Broken Cisterns	Phoenix, AZ
Jan. 24, 1965	Birth Pains	Phoenix, AZ

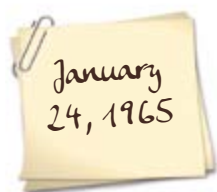
### *The Seventh Messenger Prepares to Go Home*

The year 1965 opened like many other years in Brother Branham's life, but this was to be his last year to bear the Gospel Light. Brother Branham began the year with another great theme: the Spirit of God opposing the spirit of organized religion. In Phoenix, Arizona, Brother Branham preached the message *A Paradox*, showing that God's ways are incomprehensible to denominational systems. In *The Seed of Discrepancy*, he explained the religious world will always speak against the Light of the Hour.

As a solution to the rejection described in previous messages, Brother Branham assured the true church, in *The God Who Is Rich in Mercy*, that God's grace and mercy can save us from the children of disobedience. He then preached *Lean Not Unto Thy Own Understanding*, instructing believers to let go of their own ideas if they want to see God's Light for today.

Another important sermon stressed there is only one true Fountain of Life – God – and that denominations are *Broken Cisterns*. In another message, Brother Branham emphasized that the presentation of the Gospel Light of the hour throws the believer, the church, and even the earth into *Birth Pains*.





## Winston Churchill Dies

Former English Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, died January 24, 1965, at the age of 90 years. Britain's candid leader was a personal friend of America's Congressman William Upshaw. Upshaw shared with Churchill how, after seven years of being bound to his bed and 59 years of being in a wheelchair or relying on crutches, he had been instantly healed of his crippling spinal injury at one of Brother Branham's meetings.

"I remember Congressman Upshaw, setting just about like Brother Dawson is tonight, been in that condition for sixty-six years, Congressman of United States Government for seventeen years. Walked into a big audience like this, and they just rolled the man into back of the place. I never heard of him in my life. And there the Holy Spirit even told him what he'd done, and how he'd fell, and all about it. Now, God knows, I never heard his name. And said, 'Congressman, THUS SAITH THE LORD, you're healed.' And he sprung from his chair, run to the platform, and touched his feet, at eighty-something years old, and stood on the White House steps and sang 'Leaning on the Everlasting Arm'...?..."

Went to Churchill in England, and a good friend of his, and testified of the power of God to heal the sick. Brethren, Jesus Christ is raised from the dead. He's the same yesterday, today, and forever."

*God Manifesting His Gifts, August 5, 1957*



## "This Day This Scripture Is Fulfilled"

January 24, 1965, started with two pages of Brother Branham's new Bible being stuck together, causing a repetition of the scene from Luke 4:17-21. When Brother Branham could not find the Scripture he wanted, a Catholic bishop got up and gave Brother Branham his Bible for the reading. Brother Branham handed it back to him and started preaching about the end of the Gospel dispensation, in the sermon *Birth Pains*.



Was it just a coincidence that this scenario also seemed to fulfill the part of Scripture that Jesus left out in Luke 4, when he read Isaiah 61:1-2? What did it mean? The dispensation of the Gospel is almost finished and the Day of the Lord is at hand.

“And I was on my road home, back down to Tucson, that evening. The kids was crying for a sandwich, and I stopped to get a sandwich at a little stand. And my wife said, ‘Bill, I never was so nervous in all my life, to see you standing up there fumbling through that Bible.’ Said, ‘Didn’t it make you nervous?’ I said, ‘Nope.’ I said, ‘I knowed it was in there somewhere. They just didn’t have the page in. It’s a misprint.’ And she said, ‘To think that I got you that Bible! Looked like every eye in there was right upon me.’

And I said, ‘Well, you couldn’t help that. That was a misprint in the Bible.’ I said, ‘They just never put the page in.’ Well, I got down and looked at it again, just perfectly as it could be; but the 16th chapter, ends portion, the portion of it just about three inches from the bottom, over at the 17th chapter on the other side, does the same thing. And, being a new Bible, those two pages had perfectly stuck together, and I was reading from the 17th chapter instead of the 16th. ‘Well,’ I said, ‘that’s all fine. It’s for some cause.’ And just as plain as you could hear any voice, a Voice come to me, and said, ‘He entered into Nazareth, to where He was brought up at; and went into the synagogue, as it was His custom. And the priest gave Him the Scriptures to read, and He read Isaiah 61. And when He had read the Scriptures, He set down; handed the priest back the Bible, the Book, and sat down. And all the eyes of the congregation was upon Him. And precious Words proceeded from His mouth. And He said, ‘This day this Scripture is fulfilled.’”

*This Day This Scripture Is Fulfilled*, February 19, 1965



Jan. 25, 1965    This Day This Scripture Is Fulfilled  
Feb. 6, 1965    Doors in Door

Phoenix, AZ  
Flagstaff, AZ



## Marriage and Divorce

Brother Branham was asked by many people to explain the Biblical ramifications of marriage and divorce. He knew one day he would have to preach on the topic. The subject matter was perhaps one of the most difficult texts about which to preach. Conscious of the varied consequences this sticky subject matter could have, he took it really at heart and prayed about it more earnestly than for any other doctrine, almost. Finally, the Lord called Brother Branham into the mountains outside Tucson and told him what he should say on the subject of marriage and divorce. The Angel of the Lord came down on the mountain in the form of a pulsating amber Cloud. Seen from the city, it was so unusual the teachers even called the school children out of their classes to watch the fiery-looking amber Cloud go up into the air and then back down to the area surrounding the prophet.

“You get my tape on *Marriage and Divorce*. That, up on top the mountain at Tucson, here not long ago, I was up there praying about it. They dismissed the schools, to watch that Pillar of Fire circle the mountain and go in a funnel, back and forth, up and down. People around here knows it, there and saw It; and it when He told me the Truth of this marriage and divorce, questioned. If there’s one side going this way, and one going that way, there’s got to be a Truth somewhere. After those Seven Seals, He showed what was the Truth of it.”

*The Choosing of a Bride*, April 29, 1965

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 190/191



*Finger Rock, Tucson, Arizona*



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Feb. 17, 1965	A Man Running from the Presence ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 18, 1965	The Seed Is Not Heir with the Shuck	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 19, 1965	This Day This Scripture Is Fulfilled	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 20, 1965	Wedding Ceremony	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 20, 1965	God’s Chosen Place of Worship	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 21, 1965	Marriage and Divorce	Jeffersonville, IN
Feb. 21, 1965	Who Is This Melchisedec?	Jeffersonville, IN
Apr. 10, 1965	The Easter Seal	Phoenix, AZ
Apr. 18, 1965	It Is the Rising of the Sun	Jeffersonville, IN

# Vision of the Woman on the Highway

“And I was saying that a person has to come by these three steps, to be able to walk that highway. And said that ... There was a lady came by. Now, you know what kind of shoes people wore thirty-five years ago.



There was a lady come by, had on a great big pair like they wear today, spike-heeled shoes. And she come by. And I said, ‘Wait a minute, sister. You can’t walk that highway with that.’ And I said, ‘You–you, you can’t do that.’ And she said, ‘Ah!’ She said, looked around at the rest of the women, said, ‘Don’t believe him. He’s a madman. See? Don’t believe him. I’ll show you I can be justified, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost, and still walk that.’

And she ... I just let her go. Couldn’t do no more about it, couldn’t stop her. And she jumped up on the highway. And she looked back at the sister, said, ‘See, I told you!’ She started to run up, and she ... You know, as the Bible said, in Isaiah, 5th chapter, that they would have ‘outstretched necks.’ They have to; they’re pitched over, see. ‘Mincing as ...’ They have to, have to twist, ‘Mincing as they go, making a tinkling with their heels; see, the daughters of Zion in the last day.’

And she started up that highway, just as hard as she could run. And, after a while, the road got narrower and narrower. She started reeling, mincing like that, and off she went. And mother said, ‘The horriblest screams that I ever heard in my life, was that woman falling into those flames and smoke, going down, down like that.’ Said I ‘turned around and said, ‘See?’ She just obeyed everything but one Word, see, everything but one Word.”

*It Is the Rising of the Sun, April 18, 1965*



Apr. 18, 1965	Does God Ever Change His Mind ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Apr. 24, 1965	One in a Million	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 25, 1965	God’s Provided Place of Worship	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 26, 1965	Proving His Word	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 27, 1965	Does God Change His Mind?	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 29, 1965	The Seed Shall Not Be Heir with ...	Los Angeles, CA
Apr. 29, 1965	The Choosing of a Bride	Los Angeles, CA



## "Los Angeles, Los Angeles"



In April 1965, Brother Branham preached in Los Angeles for the last time. "He would leave the city and never return again; it would seem God left with him." Los Angeles, translated *the City of Angels*, was so deep in sin, it was comparable only to Sodom or Capernaum. Like Capernaum, the city of Los Angeles saw the visitation of God, and rejected it. But, before God would leave the city, the Bridegroom presented simply, yet in a straight and solemn way, what He required of the city. The people of Los Angeles refused to listen, and dove deeper into sin. Beware Los Angeles, judgment is at the door.

"And while in there, something struck me, and I didn't know nothing for about thirty minutes. There was a prophecy went out. First thing I remember, Brother Moseley and Billy; I was out on the street, walking. And It said, 'Thou Capernaum, which calls yourself by the name of the Angels,' that's Los Angeles, city of angels (See?), the angels, 'which are exalted into heaven, will be brought down into hell. For if the mighty works had been done in Sodom, that's been done in you, it would've been standing till this day.' And that was all unconsciously to me. See? And how I just got through exhorting, Christ, exalting Him and telling the church. I said, 'You women, no matter how I try to come to you and preach against these things; and you man, you preachers; you constantly conned all the time, do it just the same. You walk over It as if the Word of God wasn't nothing.'"

*Ashamed*, July 11, 1965



*Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works had been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment, than for you. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell.*

LUKE 10:13-15

May  
27, 1965

"Yellow-Mane Lion" -  
Last Visit to South Africa



*Brother Branham arriving at Jan Smuts airport in The Republic of South Africa.*



*Billy Paul, Brother Sidney Jackson, Brother Branham and their Portuguese guide, Louie, with their African trackers.*





*Brother Branham with three of his trophy shots, a zebra, a waterbuck and a sable.*



May  
27, 1965

## "Yellow-Mane Lion" - Last Visit to South Africa



Brother Branham visited The Republic of South Africa for the last time in May 1965, but was not given the opportunity to preach. The Religious Council there did not agree with Brother Branham's doctrine. Because of the thousands of healings that took place during previous visits, the government did not want to be on record refusing this great man entry into The Republic of South Africa. They approved his visa, allowing him to visit, as long as he came only to hunt game and would not preach.

"And so I wrote them a letter back, and told them. And I said, 'Remember, at the day of the judgment, let them bony hands reach out of the smoke, condemn you. Their blood be upon you, not on me, 'cause I've tried for about ten years to get back.' Then when I mailed the letter, come back, Something said to me, 'See Sidney Jackson, take a hunting trip. 'And, the same time, the Lord spoke to Sidney Jackson, said, 'Yellow-mane lion, Brother Branham camping; Durban, big meeting.'"

*Ashamed*, July 11, 1965

May 27, 1965 - Brother Branham expressed his desire to take the Message to Africa in this statement outside of a house in Johannesburg, South Africa:

"... I will minister again, in the Name of the Lord Jesus, among the people of Africa. God has promised to give us the desire of our heart, and that's one of the desires of my heart ... No doubt, there is many of those people, attended those meetings, are with the Lord now. I have gotten old, too, since then. It won't be too long till my time to go up, then we will be together forever, no visas. I feel like bringing the Message. But it is written in the Scripture, 'Give unto Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.' I'm expecting to meet you here in a few moments, shake your hand and have fellowship again together. I appreciate all these fine men. I wish I had all my brethren, in Africa, here today, of all the denominations, that we could just get together and talk, all evening...."





## Behold I Knock at the Door



*Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith Unto the churches.*

REVELATION 3:20-22

“And neither does the people today realize what condition that they’re in. It’s ordained for this Laodicea church to be in this condition, putting Christ on the outside, and Him knocking, trying to get back in [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit—Ed.] No cooperation nowhere though. Vindicating His Word in the day now, like He did in every day, and they walk right away from it. Leaning to their own understanding, that’s—that’s all there is to it.”

*Lean Not unto Thy Own Understanding*, January 20, 1965



## The last Change in the Ministry of Brother Branham Was to Mirror That of Eliezer, the Faithful Servant of Abraham



“And I said, ‘Surely, there’s something in this Word of God, from Genesis to Revelations, that some character in there that You dealt with, would be on the same basis that would be my question. If somebody done something, and—and You got after him about it, then let me turn to that place in the Bible. And if somebody, whatever they done, it’ll lean my way. Where I’ve done wrong, or something You want me to do, or haven’t done, let me see some character in the Bible like that.’ And I closed my eyes, just let the Bible fall open, put my finger on a Scripture, Genesis 24:7, Eliezer, Abraham’s faithful servant, the model servant of the Bible, being sent to hunt the bride for Isaac. Chills run over me. Sure, that’s my ... That’s right with the rest of my message, pulling out the Bride.”

*Ashamed of Him*, July 11, 1965



*The LORD God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.*

GENESIS 24:7

*And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel. For she had said unto the servant, What man is this that walketh in the field to meet us? And the servant had said, It is my master: therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.*

GENESIS 24:64-65

## *Last Series in Brother Branham's Home Church*



Returning to Jeffersonville for what was his last stay in that familiar place, Brother Branham preached a long series of sermons. These messages dealt with very important subjects. They addressed how the true revival of God is now working in the innermost being of man; how Satan is building his kingdom on this earth and even using men that have mighty manifestations of the Holy Spirit; how Christ will be constantly revealing Himself to His Bride, up to a final manifestation; how the people of Laodicea are too blind to see either God's revelation or the condition they are in; and how the Bride of this age must shun all unbelief and get into Christ in order to be a part of the promise of today. The message *Satan's Eden*, was the last sermon he preached from his own pulpit in the Branham Tabernacle.



Jul. 11, 1965	Ashamed	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 18, 1965	Trying to Do God a Service Without ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 18, 1965	Spiritual Food in Due Season	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 25, 1965	The Anointed Ones at the ...	Jeffersonville, IN
Jul. 25, 1965	What Is the Attraction on the Mountain?	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 1, 1965	The God of This Evil Age	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 1, 1965	Events Made Clear by Prophecy	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 15, 1965	And Knoweth It Not	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 22, 1965	Christ Is Revealed in His Own Word	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 22, 1965	A Thinking Man's Filter	Jeffersonville, IN
Aug. 29, 1965	Satan's Eden	Jeffersonville, IN



## What Is the Attraction on the Mountain? God Is Fulfilling His Word

Although we know the expression “the valley of decision,” major events in God’s timeline were identified with mountaintop experiences. Moses met the Pillar of Fire, as a mountaintop experience, and later went to **Mount Sinai** to receive The Commandments of God. Elijah had his showdown on **Mount Carmel**. Jesus was revealed by the Father on **Mount Transfiguration**. When He entered into Jerusalem, He came down from the **Mount of Olives**. The greatest victory ever won was on **Mount Calvary**. The birth of the church, on the Day of Pentecost, took place on **Mount Zion**.

No wonder Brother Branham was told, “Go to the **Catalina Mountains**.” It was in these mountains he received a major turning point in his ministry as God placed the King’s Sword in his hand. Later he witnessed the visitation of the seven angels at **Sunset Mountain**. These events were all mountaintop experiences designed to fulfill Biblical patterns. In the same way, Israel will receive her Pyramid Mountain and the capstone in the form of the New Jerusalem. In the message *What is the Attraction on the Mountain?*, the prophet refers back to a series of dreams and a vision he was given in 1962 which he describes in the message: *Is This the Sign of the End, Sir?*

“What’s happened upon Mount Sunset? **God confirming His Word**. That’s what all this noise is about. Notice, it’s God fulfilling His promised Word again, of Revelation 10:1 to 7, ‘And in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel’s Message, the mystery of God should be finished.’ The hidden mystery of Revelation 10:1 to 7, the last message to the last church age. Fulfills exactly, in this age, St. Luke 17:30, ‘The day when the Son of man shall be revealed.’

‘And there shall rise false prophets and false Christs, show great signs and wonders, insomuch it’d deceive the Elected, if possible.’ The people still in doubt. And, as usual, the church is just as puzzled... And the observatories and all of them in Tucson are still asking, research of science trying to find out what it is. So high there can’t be fog, mist, or nothing up there. ‘What did it? Where’s it at?’ They’re just as puzzled of that supernatural halo hanging yonder in the sky as they was when the Magi come in following a star, saying, ‘Where is He that’s born King of the Jews?’ What was it? **God fulfilling His Word**, ‘And there shall rise a star out of Jacob.’ And the God of Heaven promised the evening time would have evening Light. Three years ago this mystery was a prophecy, ‘What time is it, sir?’ But now it’s history. It’s passed. The promise is fulfilled. What time is it, sir, and what’s this attraction? **God fulfilling His Word!** He’s the same yesterday, today, and forever. Let us pray.”

*What is the Attraction on the Mountain?* July 25, 1965

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 182/183

## "Return Back To Arizona!"

"It was asked in a question the other day: 'We know why you first went to Arizona, was them Angels appeared. Why did you return the second time?' You remember that question read? How many remembers when I come back after that and was setting there before Dr. Lee Vayle (I believe he's in the building somewhere.) and my wife? And I was talking about Arizona and about us staying here, and there come a hand on the wall and light and wrote with letters, 'Return back to Arizona.' How many remembers that? That's why I'm back there. Not knowing why I went back, and when I got there, then He revealed what I should go back for. And if I tell it, then Satan will block it. But he don't know my heart. He's not the Word, so he doesn't know my heart. But if I speak it, then he hears it. See? So now, remember that."

*Questions and Answers #4, August 30, 1964*



1959

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1961

1962

1963

1964

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*Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.*

JOHN 4:20-23



Sep. 11, 1965    God's Power to Transform  
Sep. 19, 1965    Thirst

Phoenix, AZ  
Tucson, AZ



*"Your Enemy is Dead!"*

For most of his life, Brother Branham was bothered by a severe stomach illness that would return to him about every seven years. As a young boy, he wondered what the reason was for the sickness. In 1962, in *The Present Stage of My Ministry*, Brother Branham hints that, like Paul, he had to bear the infirmity in his body so he would not "exalt himself, because of the abundance of revelation." The year 1965 would have been the time the sickness would return again. In September of that year, God declared to him the squirrel-like animal he had seen in a vision, that represented his sickness, was only six inches long.

On September 20, 1965, a voice spoke to Brother Branham saying, "**Go to the Catalina Mountains.**" When he climbed up there, he found a dead animal that looked exactly like the one he had seen in a vision. Then the voice of the Lord declared: "**Your enemy is dead.**" The following days the prophet made two striking discoveries.

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September  
21, 1965

## The Seventh Dove Appears to Brother Branham

“... The next day Something said, **‘Go back to the mountain.’** And that day instead of going one way, I was led to go another way. And I was standing there; and looking, setting in the front of me, and there set that seventh little, white dove, looking right at me. I rubbed my eyes; I said, ‘Surely, it’s a vision; surely, it is.’ I looked, and I said, ‘Little dove, where do you come from?’ Just as pretty and white, could’ve been a pigeon, whatever it was, a-way in that wilderness. God Almighty, Who raised up Jesus Christ from the dead, Whose servant I am, and His Word laying here open before me, know that I tell the truth and lie not. There set the dove, setting there looking at me. I walked around; I thought, ‘Surely, it’s a vision.’ I turned my head; I looked back, and there he set there, them little, white wings, just as snowy as he could be, his little, yellow feet; and little, yellow beak; setting there looking at me. He was watching right straight westward. I walked around him like that; I wouldn’t touch him for nothing. I walked on up the trail; looked back, and there he still set watching me.”

*On the Wings of a Snow-White Dove*, November 28, 1965

September  
22, 1965

## "Dove Leading Eagle"



“The third day I went back [into the Catalina mountains]. I was climbing up high. And many of you know the vision about the Indian chief riding that little wall to the west. Something attracted me off to a big rock, about noontime, said, ‘Lay your hands against that and pray.’ God in Heaven knows this is true. I laid my hands against the rock and looked up towards Heaven and started praying, and I heard a Voice coming out of the top of the rocks there, said, **‘What are you leaning against, over your heart?’** And I raised back like this, my bare shoulders; naked from my waist up, hot. I looked back. And there was wrote in the quartz, in the stone, white: ‘Eagle’; just exactly what the vision said that the next Message would come forth by. I was so excited; I run home, got a camera, and come back the next day, and took the picture of it. It was still there, wrote in the rock, white: **‘Eagle.’ (Dove leading eagle)’**”

*On the Wings of a Snow-White Dove*, November 28, 1965



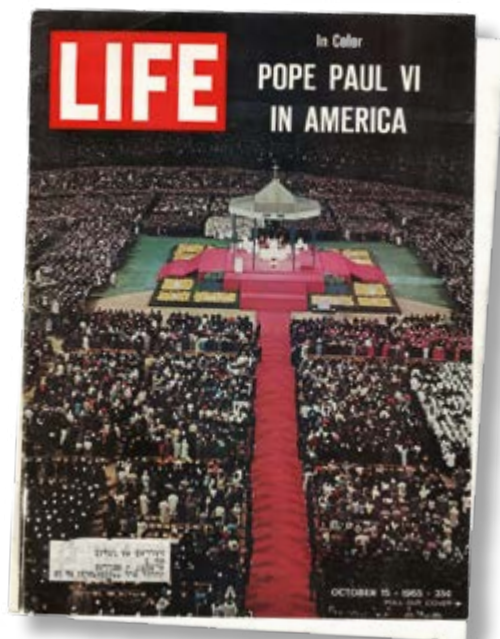
October  
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## Pope Paul VI in America



America was founded in protest to organized religion and the Catholic Church. The visit of the Pope, October 4, 1965, was a complete reversal of those principles. It was a real slap in the face to America's founding fathers.

The Pope's visit came during a transition time for America, with the Holy Spirit beginning to leave America to her own devices. The Pope gave a homily and conducted mass at Yankee Stadium. Shortly thereafter, Brother Branham conducted his last prayer line after preaching *On the Wings of a Snow-White Dove*, delivered on Sunday evening, November 28, 1965, at the Life Tabernacle in Shreveport, Louisiana, USA.



“You see it now, understand it? See? Now he has got his Eden. Look, all the churches worship him. That's what, in II Thessalonians here, He said, ‘... That man who calls himself God, setting in the temple of God ... And all ... upon the earth shall bow down and worship him, whose names are not written in the Lamb's book of life ... before the foundation of the earth.’ See, it's a modern Eden. Now, what's he doing himself? He's moving himself, in Rome, his final great Eden place.

You see where that pope come over here the other day? Did you notice all them thirteens that happened then? He spoke thirteen words, had thirteen taking communion, spoke in Yankee Stadium, which is thirteen. Everything was thirteen. And our nation's number is thirteen, appears in the 13th chapter of Revelation: thirteen stripes, thirteen stars, thirteen bars, thirteen numbers on the coins, thirteen stars on the coin, everything's thirteen, and a woman.”

*Power of Transformation*, October 31, 1965

“Then in the sixth vision there arose up in America a most beautiful, but cruel woman. She held the people in her complete power. I believed that this was the rise of the Roman Catholic Church, though I knew it could possibly be a vision of some woman rising in great power in America due to a popular vote by women.”

*Laodican Church Age, Church Age Book*

➔ Find more pictures in the Appendix, page 169



## Loosing of the Ecclesiastical Spirit Twenty Years after the Second World War

“Notice, the loosing of this ecclesiastical spirit. Now, twenty years later, after that war, we see the loosing of the ecclesiastical spirit, what under? The Seventh Seal, the Seventh Trumpet to the Jew. Look at the moon darkening out. What under? See it drawn out? The Son of man being drove from the church. What is it? Joining in with the ecclesiastical bunch. The—the ecumenical move, and with the World Council of Churches has drove every man ... What does that thing stand for? Why, you have to surrender all your evangelical teachings and things. ‘How can two walk together less they be agreed?’ They can’t. Jesus said they can’t. And how can a church, of Methodists, and Baptists walk together? How can the Church of Christ walk with the Presbyterians? How can the Catholic walk with the Protestant? How can Protestant walk with Protestant? But the Bride can walk with the Word, which is Christ; it must be in agreement, not the ecclesiastical system, but the Word. You have to agree with the Word to walk with the Word. Jesus said so; that makes it right.”

*The Feast of the Trumpets, July 19, 1964*



Oct. 31, 1965    Power of Transformation

Prescott, AZ

Oct. 31, 1965    Leadership

Prescott, AZ



### Blackout in the U.S.

On November 9, 1965, power stations in the northeast United States and Ontario, Canada, experienced load imbalances that resulted in a total blackout of the region, affecting some 30 million people over 80,000 square miles (207,000 square kilometers). Once again this natural occurrence typed the spiritual darkness of the world today. But, as Brother Branham titled one of his messages, *There Is a Man Here That Can Turn on the Light*.



➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, page 167



*Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee.*

ISAIAH 60:1-2

*But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.*

ZECHARIAH 14:7



Nov. 21, 1965	What House Will You Build Me?	Tucson, AZ
Nov. 25, 1965	The Invisible Union of the Bride ...	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 26, 1965	Works Is Faith Expressed	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 27, 1965	Trying to Do God a Service Without ...	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 27, 1965	I Have Heard But Now I See	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 28, 1965	God's Only Provided Place of Worship	Shreveport, LA
Nov. 28, 1965	On the Wings of a Snow-White Dove	Shreveport, LA

## The Lord Grants Brother Branham His Healing

In the message *On the Wings of a Snow-White Dove*, Brother Branham explained what happened in the Catalina Mountains in September 1965. The Lord told him to go into the mountains and while there, he found a dead squirrel that signified the death of the stomach ailment that had plagued him so many years. The next day he was again sent into those mountains and saw a beautiful white dove.



He knew the dove was sent from God and that his stomach problems were definitely over. The night he recounted the story of his healing was also the last time his gift of discernment was manifested. That night a mighty part of his ministry came to an end. Many times the prophet connected his gift of discernment with the **“last sign that was given to Abraham before the destruction of Sodom.”**

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, pages 192/193

## "As It Was in the Days of Lot"

"We all know that the church in that condition couldn't finish up this last day. How could it bring Malachi 4 in? How could it do it? They don't even believe in such a thing. How could it believe—bring in Luke 17:30? How could it bring in all these other Scriptures that's promised this last day? It couldn't do it, because it denies It. 'As it was in the days of Lot, so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man.' Look at the condition, Lot, that Sodom was in, in that day. Look, condition the church of the day. Look what happened to Abraham, the Elected. Look what happened to Lot and them in Sodom. Look at Billy Graham, Oral Roberts, and them down there amongst those denominations. Look at the elected Abraham church, pulled out. Look what kind of sign that Jesus Himself, the incarnated God, standing there in human flesh...."

*The Invisible Union of the Bride of Christ*, November 25, 1965



Billy Graham



W. M. Branham



Oral Roberts

➔ Find more information in the Appendix, pages 213 + 216

## Calling to the Altar

Even at the end of his ministry, Brother Branham never lost his compassion for a dying world nor the zeal to save the lost and lead, what he often called, his "sinner friends" to Christ. Sadly, compassion alone cannot assure another person Eternal Life. In his message on December 5, 1965, Brother Branham referred to a group of people in the audience for whom he could not pray, because they had become dead to the moving of the Holy Ghost. Just two years earlier, he had described just such a condition as souls that are in prison now, shut up, forever condemned.

"And make that an altar, 'cause the altar is setting full of people. And make that altar, there in the chair where they're setting, make that heart of theirs the altar. May the world move off from every Brother, Sister in here. And may that little germ of Life, the gene of God that we just talked of, that attribute that came down from God, and has been manifested here to honor and glorify God. God, move the world from that. The others, I cannot pray, Lord, because 'the sickness is unto death,' and there's nothing there that causes them to move. But those who can move, and know that it's wrong, clean their hearts and their souls tonight, Father. And may they be filled with Your Spirit, walk in Your Light."

*Things That Are to Be*, December 5, 1965



## Last Series of Messages

In his last series of messages, Brother Branham gives a complete summary of all his teachings using only the titles. This reminds us of how the Lord Jesus spoke to the disciples before His crucifixion.

Often the prophet taught us the natural types the spiritual and in the message *Rapture*, he makes the following statement, “Now, watch what takes place here in this, while we hurry. I think that lady wants us to leave; I seen her motion her hand, something another about she wants us to get out, so we better hurry.”



In the message *Leadership*, Brother Branham makes the striking statement, “If this is my last message, it’s the truth.” It closes dramatically with a message in tongues, an old-fashioned altar call, and the farewell song, “God Be with You Till We Meet Again.”



Dec. 4, 1965	The Rapture	Yuma, AZ
Dec. 5, 1965	Things That Are to Be	Rialto, CA
Dec. 6, 1965	Modern Events Are Made Clear ...	San Bernadino, CA
Dec. 7, 1965	Leadership	Covina, CA
Dec. 12, 1965	Communion	Tucson, AZ

## Tucson Tabernacle; Temple Emanu-El: History repeats itself

God prepared a farewell scene for Brother Branham at the end of his earthly pilgrimage. Like Paul, he could say, “I’ve fought a good fight, I’ve finished my course, I’ve kept the faith...” Only a few days before his death, Brother Branham preached his last service December 12, 1965, at the first Tucson Tabernacle. The building was originally the first Jewish temple in Arizona, the Temple Emanu-El. Over the years it also housed eleven different churches.



While Brother Branham was watching a Veterans Day parade, and as a band passed the church, they changed the music to “Onward Christian Soldiers.” That same day, the pastor of the Downtown Assemblies of God decided to close it. Shortly thereafter, Brother Pearry Green was able to rent the building. It is not coincidence that both Jesus and Brother Branham preached their last public sermons in Jewish temples. In the time of Jesus, the Gospel Light was transferred to the Gentiles. Brother Branham’s ministry was to restore the heart of the children back to the fathers.

“But there are those who are shepherds that watch the flock. I’m so grateful that Brother Pearry followed the leading of the Holy Spirit, and today we have a tabernacle. It’s a small one. That’s just good enough to start with, to see what the Holy Spirit ... Not knowing, let’s just move step by step. Now, I believe if God has spoke to Brother and Sister Green to come here, and has opened up a place where our children; instead of on Sunday morning riding their bicycles, and on the streets and running around, they have a place to come to worship, instead of us sitting around and listening to something that we’ve heard on radio, which is all right ...”

*What House Will You Build Me?* November 21, 1965

➔ Find more pictures and information in the Appendix,  
pages 161 + 194/195



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## *The Car Accident in Amarillo*

On December 18, 1965, Brother Branham was fatally injured in a car accident. He was taking Meda and the children back to Indiana for the Christmas vacation when his car was hit head-on by a drunken driver. He was rushed to a local hospital, near the Texas border with New Mexico. His condition stabilized, he was then transferred to a regional hospital where he soon lapsed into a coma. The tragedy shocked the entire Pentecostal world.

A number of old friends, Oral Roberts, Demos Shakarian, T. L. Osborn, telephoned their concern. Brother Branham died six days later, on Christmas Eve, at the Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. A funeral service was held in Jeffersonville, Indiana, on December 29. Among those who attended were Gordon Lindsay, Joseph Mattsson-Boze, T. L. Osborn, and hundreds of healing revivalists who had drawn their inspiration from this humble little Baptist preacher. One magazine called it a “coronation day for a great soldier who fell in battle.”

Taken from the book *“All Things Are Possible”*

The memorial sermon was given by the well-known evangelist, **Tommy Osborn**. About Brother Branham, he said the following:



*William Branham with evangelist Tommy Osborn*

“William Branham came our way as the prophet of God and showed us, in the twentieth century, precisely the same things that were shown us in the Gospels. Where we read of a few incidents in the Gospels, we have seen hundreds in our generation. No less great nor wonderful, but far more numerous. We have seen them in our day.

We walked with God in our day. He came to the shores of Galilee, but He also came to the streets of Phoenix; Portland, Oregon; Tulsa, Oklahoma; and across this nation. I saw it. And when I saw it once, I knew what it meant. This was the Word in flesh.”



*And Samuel died; and all the Israelites were gathered together, and lamented him, and buried him in his house at Ramah. And David arose, and went down to the wilderness of Paran.*

I SAMUEL 25:1

➔ *Find more pictures and information in the Appendix, page 158*



*A picture of the sky the day William Branham passed away*



## Brother Branham's Earthly Body is Buried in Jeffersonville, Indiana

Though funeral and memorial services were held in December 1965, and January 1966, Brother Branham's body was not laid to rest until April. The burial was postponed which allowed Sister Branham time to sufficiently recover from her injuries. She wished to be present at the burial service and to decide where her husband should be buried. On April 11, Brother Branham was laid to rest in Jeffersonville, Indiana, and now awaits the sounding of the trump of God. On that day, "the dead in Christ shall rise first, then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (I Thess. 4:16b-17). God took His messenger home, but His Message would continue to reach around the world, preparing the Bride of Christ for her union with her Bridegroom.

"What's the matter with me, anyhow? I'm only telling you the truth. Some day you'll catch it. Some day you'll know that I've told you the truth. My voice may be silent. You might, might be able to silence the body that's speaking, but you'll never silent that Voice. It comes from God. They stoned Stephen, but they couldn't stop his message. It'll move on. **Them tapes will be played after I'm gone for years.**"

*Abraham's Covenant Confirmed*, March 18, 1961

"Now, I want you to know this is sure. And you that listen to this tape, you might have thought today that I was trying to say that about myself, being that I was packing this Message. I have no more to do with It than nothing, no more than just a voice. And, my voice, even against my better judgment ... I wanted to be a trapper. But it's the will of my Father that I declare to do, and determined to do. I wasn't the One that appeared down on the river; I was only standing there when He appeared. I'm not the One that performs these things and foretells these things that happens as perfect as they are; I'm only one that's near when He does it.

I was only a voice that He used, to say it. It wasn't what I knew; it's what I just surrendered myself to, that He spoke through. It isn't me. It wasn't the seventh angel, oh, no; it was a manifestation of the Son of man. It wasn't the angel, his Message; it was the mystery that God unfolded. It's not a man; it's God. The angel was not the Son of man; he was the messenger from the Son of man. The Son of man is Christ. He's the One that you're feeding on. You're not feeding on a man. A man, his words will fail. **But, you're feeding on the unfailing Body-Word, of the Son of man.** If you haven't fed fully on every Word to give yourself strength to fly above all these denominations and things of the world, will you at this time do it, while we pray?"

*The Anointed Ones at the End Time*, July 25, 1965





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## The Bride Makes Herself Ready

“As Christ was the first One to raise, from all the prophets, and so forth; although typed in many places, He was the Firstfruits of those that slept. In the Bride, coming of Christ, coming out of the church, there’ll have to be a Sheaf waved again in the last days. Oh, my!

Waving of the sheaf, what was the sheaf? The first one that come to mature, the first one that proved it was a wheat, that proved it was a sheaf. Hallelujah. I’m sure you see what I’m talking about. It was waved over the people. **And the first time there will come forth, for the Bride age,** for a

resurrection out of dark denominationalism, will be a Message, that the full maturity of the Word has turned back again in Its full power and being waved over the people, by the same signs and wonders that He did back there.”

*It Is the Rising of the Sun, April 18, 1965*



“But, you know, in the days of Noah ... Jesus said, ‘As it was in the days of Noah....’ You know, people perhaps built boats in them days, whether they were God-constructed or not, but they didn’t float when the time come for it to float. So I like the Message to be God-constructed with the Scriptures, a Scriptural Message, and right there with It, everything with the Scripture. It’s THUS SAITH THE LORD, then. And it’s got to stand, because, it isn’t my word that’s in question, it’ll be His Word that’s in question. Bring it from the Scripture!

**And we’re in a changing dispensation. We’re changing now.** And every change, just like building a building, you come to the corner, you have to make that bend, it’s-it’s strange. Everybody wants to run right straight on down; you’d have just one big wall. But we’re building a building. And we’re come to corners, and you’ve got to change, those corners. As Brother Don Price so well, he... and so well stated it not long ago. ‘At those changes is where the trouble comes, where the... It’s hard on that corner, to make, cut that corner and make it just right.’”

*The Identification of Christ of All Ages, April 9, 1964*

*And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey. And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter. And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.*

REVELATION 10:9-11

*Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.*

REVELATION 19:7

*And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.*

REVELATION 21:2

*He which testifieth these things saith, Surely, I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.*

REVELATION 22:20-21



## Conclusion

After the death of the seventh church age messenger, William Marrion Branham, God left us with the Message. Before the eyes of God's children could focus on Jesus of Nazareth, the Messiah, the ministry of John the Baptist had to decrease. God shows us the same pattern when we read the story of Rebekah meeting Isaac. When Rebekah lifted up her eyes and saw Isaac, her focus was redirected from Eliezer, the servant, to Isaac, her bridegroom.

Before God took the prophet Elijah home, He gave him a threefold commission: **to anoint Hazael to be King of Syria, to anoint Jehu to be King of Israel, and to anoint Elisha to be a prophet.** We realize different worldwide movements like the charismatic movement or the Full Gospel Christian Businessmen's Fellowship International were linked very closely to the ministry of Brother Branham. Although they deny his teachings today, they considered him to be a prophet of God. Still today there is a Bride who has an ear to hear what the Holy Spirit is saying for this age.

Brother Branham's ministry changed from an evangelist to an Eliezer ministry, or that of finding and preparing the Bride for marriage. We know the Bride of Christ will not marry Eliezer, but Isaac, who represents Christ the WORD. Similarly, the Book of Revelation does not end with the seventh verse of the tenth chapter, but continues on until the "times of the Gentiles are fulfilled." The prophet makes the remarkable statement, **"And the first time there will come forth, for the Bride age,** for a resurrection out of dark denominationalism, will be a Message, that the full maturity of the Word has turned back again in Its full power and being waved over the people, by the same signs and wonders that He did back there."

To comprehend God sent a prophet is wonderful, but only acknowledging that fact will not be enough to carry you into Eternal Life. It is my prayer this little compilation will be encouragement for you to dig deeper into the Word for this age. May you find the person of Christ manifest within the words you assimilate.

*The Editor*







# In Memoriam



## IN MEMORIAM

AS PRESIDENT of FGBMFI, I wish to express on behalf of the Fellowship, our sorrow at the passing of Rev. William Branham following an automobile accident on December 18, 1965, near Amarillo, Texas.

Rev. Branham often made the statement that the only fellowship to which he belonged was FGBMFI. Often, when called upon to speak at various conventions and chapter meetings, he has traveled many long distances to keep those engagements. His spirit of service was an inspiration.

We cannot, today, understand why his life should be taken at this time when the world so needs men of prayer, discernment, and of steadfast purpose. We know thousands of earnest prayers have been uttered for his recovery. It must have pleased God, in His great over-all scheme of things, to call His servant to rest. It is wonderful to contemplate the vast armfuls of sheaves he will triumphantly bear as his spirit returns again home.

*Demos Shakarian*

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## WILLIAM BRANHAM

### - In MEMORIAM -

It is almost impossible to believe that Rev. Branham is not with us any longer.


As the whole world knows, Rev. Branham and your Editor were very close friends. We were real "buddies". It is again of that time when several groups of doctors whom we were a great deal apart, and seemingly could never agree, the same spirit of fellowship between us arose again. For this I am very happy.

Rev. Branham had a great gift from God, but what always impressed me most in his life was his big warm heart. He had (and for the smallest ones as well as the biggest ones). He gave out of his life from the river of God that flowed through him to the poorest of the poor as well as to the richest. But if he loved anyone, it was the poor.

This big warm heart is now cold in death but we, his many friends, will always remember his kind spirit and his willingness to help. We will remember him as Jesus remembered John. Jesus did not point out the weaknesses of John the Baptist in his trying hours, but said about him, "This is the greatest man of a woman." John was not without his faults, but Jesus did not talk about that. He talked about John as John was at the height of his career when he stood there at the feet and the people flocked to him in eagerness.

I can picture the tremendous gatherings and the tremendous results in the great meetings in which I often sat on the platform with Rev. Branham. Sometimes I was amazed because of the deep sense of holiness that permeated the meetings, but I never failed to see the gift of God in operation through His servant and to feel that marvel of love that flowed through his ministry. This is how I remember my friend, Rev. William Branham.

**By Joseph D. Mattsson-Boze**



Rev. William Branham and Editor. Picture taken at the great New York convention, November 1963, sponsored by the Rock Church.

Herald of Faith

Taken from the magazine "Herald of Faith"

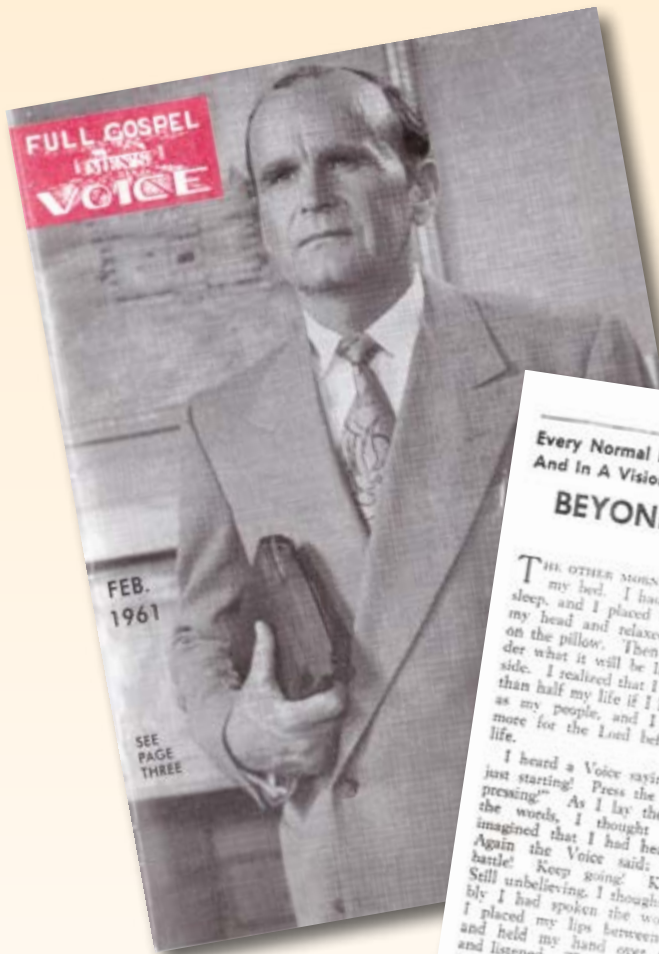


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FULL GOSPEL MEN'S VOICE Page Three

Every Normal Person Has Wondered What Follows After Death,  
And In A Vision We Have Seen The Joy That Awaits The Saved

## BEYOND THE CURTAIN OF TIME!

By WILLIAM BRANHAM

THE OTHER MORNING I was lying on my bed. I had just awoke from sleep, and I placed my hands behind my head and relaxed with my head on the pillow. Then I began to wonder what it will be like on the other side. I realized that I have lived more than half my life if I live to be as old as my people, and I wanted to do more for the Lord before I left this life.

I heard a Voice saying: "You are just starting! Press the battle! Keep pressing!" As I lay there pondering the words, I thought that I just imagined that I had heard a Voice. Again the Voice said: "Press the battle! Keep going! Keep going!" Still unbelieving, I thought that possibly I had spoken the words myself, and held my lips between my teeth and listened. The Voice spoke again: "Just keep pressing! If you only knew what is at the end of the road!" I seemed to hear the music and words of an old, familiar song:

"I'm homesick and blue,  
And I want to see Jesus,  
I would like to hear  
Those harborbells chime.

It would brighten my path  
And banish all fears.  
Lord, let me look  
Past the curtain of time!"

Then the Voice asked: "Would you like to see just beyond the curtain?" I answered: "It would help me so much!"

What happened I cannot say. Whether I was in the body or out or whether it was a translation, I do not know, but it was unlike any vision I have ever had. I could see the place to which I was taken and I could see myself lying back there upon my bed. I said: "This is a strange thing!"

There were great numbers of people and they came running to greet me, crying: "Oh, our precious brother!" First came young women, apparently in their early twenties, and as they would embrace me they said: "Our precious brother!" Young men, in the brilliance of young manhood, with eyes glistening like stars on a darkened night, with teeth as white as pearls, embraced me, saying: "Our precious brother!"

Then I noticed that I, too, had become young again. I looked at myself

**CONCERNING PHOTOGRAPH ON FRONT COVER**

In Bible Days, there were men of God who were Prophets and Seers. But in all the Sacred Records, none of these had a greater ministry than that of William Branham, a Prophet and Seer of God, whose photograph appears on the front cover of this issue of Full Gospel Men's Voice. Branham has been used by God, in the Name of Jesus, to raise the dead!

## Temple Emanu-El

### The Jewish History Museum

\* 1910 - 2010

Built as the first Jewish house of worship in the Arizona Territory, the Jewish History Museum served as the home of Arizona's first Reform congregation, Temple Emanu-El, from 1910 until 1949. In 1932 Temple Emanu-El welcomed a new Conservative Rabbi. Shortly after his arrival, a vote was taken by

the congregation and they voted to remain a Reform synagogue. The Rabbi and the congregants who wished to worship as Conservative formed the first Conservative congregation in this same building, and then moved two doors up the street to a small house. Thus, the Reform and Conservative movements share this sanctuary as their birthplace.



The building is located downtown in Tucson's Armory Park and Barrio Historic districts. It was an integral part of the religious corridor that developed along Stone Avenue, between the late 1800s and the early 1900s.

The 1880s were a time of heightened religious and cultural awareness for the Jewish community of Southern Arizona. The Hebrew Ladies Benevolent Society was formed in 1884 and twenty years later took up the challenge of raising funds for the construction of a permanent synagogue in Tucson. Financial support for their efforts came from Jews and non-Jews from as far away as Globe, Bisbee, and Nogales. On March 20, 1910, amidst great community celebration, the Grand Lodge of Arizona Masons laid the Temple's cornerstone. The congregation grew significantly and in 1949 Temple Emanu-El moved from Stone Avenue to their present site on N. Country Club Road.

After 1949, the former synagogue housed eleven different churches and other groups, and over the years community awareness of its historic significance was largely lost. The listing of the Temple as a contributing property to the Barrio Libre National Historic District in 1978 raised some interest in its reclamation, and in 1982 the Tucson-Pima County Historical Commission erected a tri-lingual historic marker on the site. It is the only tri-lingual historic marker in the United States. Nothing came of this initial enthusiasm, however, and the Temple continued to be occupied by temporary renters and became severely dilapidated.

In 1994, a group of individuals learned of the imminent sale of the building, which would be torn down for a parking lot, and acted quickly to secure the property. Incorporated as the Stone Avenue Temple Project, the organization worked to build awareness of this landmark resource and foster a wide base of community support for its historic restoration.

In 2005 the Jewish Historical Society of Southern Arizona and the Historic Stone Avenue Temple Project merged to form the non-profit Jewish History Museum. In October 2007, the restoration mortgage was burned on the Tucson landmark.

## Life Magazine, May 17, 1963



“One of these days they’ll say, ‘Well, I thought the Bible said that the church would escape all of this.’ The Bride escapes this. And just think. After Noah (as it was in the days of Noah)... Noah went in the ark and the door was closed. **He went in on May the 17th**, and the door was closed, and never rained for seven days after he was in the ark. And they didn’t know it. God closed the door. And one day the door of mercy will be closed, and people will go right on thinking they’re getting saved, and preaching, and so forth, and mercy has done been spurned its last time, and know it not until it’s missing. Remember, there’s hundreds of people missing every day that we cannot find or give an account for them, world over. ‘There’ll be one in a field; I’ll take one. One in the—two in a bed, and I’ll take one.’ Universal, so it won’t take very many to make that escape, raptured Bride.”

*Scriptural Signs of the Time*, April 10, 1964

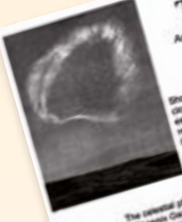
*In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened.*

GENESIS 7:11

# Front Pages of Different Learned Journals

## The Strange Cloud

Arizona Republic, March 26, 1963  
"The Ouzo,"  
written by Dave Davies



Shortly before sunset Feb. 28, 1963, a strikingly beautiful and mysterious cloud swept northwest across Arizona. Some who saw the cloud estimated it to be 30 miles across and 20 miles high, observed that it remained for 20 minutes after the sun set. Others saw myriad colors in its upper-lie structure.

Within days more than 200 reports poured into the University of Arizona's Institute of Atmospheric Physics in answer to a request by Dr. James McDonald.

The celestial phenomenon left waves of publicity in its wake. Both The Arizona Republic and LIFE carried it in its June 11 edition of the same year.

None of the publications had the answer to what it was, not even Dr. McDonald.

"Tantalizingly," the Tucson atmosphere center's senior physicist said, "it may be regarded as a ring-shaped (annular) cloud. But it obviously great height and unusually low altitude plus its remarkable shape, suggest that it was a cloud of previously unreported type. Many persons said it exhibited phenomena of the sort associated with the stratospheric, noctuous clouds in the Arctic.

"It was above the limits of normal formations," Dr. McDonald wrote in an article in the June 1963 issue of *Weatherwise*. "Even those possibly made by a light of the X-15." Besides, a check revealed there were no X-15 flights that day.

The cloud, then, has continued to baffles everyone in Arizona except 800 in churches in Phoenix, Mesa and Tucson. To them it was a physical manifestation of several signs appearing near Sunset Mountain 40 miles northwest of Tucson to William Martin-Baron, an industrial chemist evangelist.

The purpose of the heavenly visitation, Mr. Baron's followers believe, was to tell the ring was due for him to reveal scriptural secrets hidden in the book of Revelation for several years past.

According to his followers the experience was nothing a ring was due for him to reveal scriptural secrets hidden in the book of Revelation for several years past.

Mr. Baron, according to what has been written elsewhere who know him, was like a biblical prophet who had seen and was writing Eliza's words. They were in a figure and meaning in the religious world and possessing the

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STRATOSPHERIC CLOUD

## Cloud-Ring in the Upper Stratosphere

JAMES E. McDONALD, Institute of Atmospheric Physics,  
University of Arizona, Tucson

AT 10:30 AM on 28 February 1963, observers scattered over an area of nearly two hundred thousand square miles in the southwestern United States witnessed a strikingly beautiful cloud display. After three months of effort to determine just what it was that caught their eyes, I am still not sure myself, though the number of pertinent data has now grown fairly large.

Many persons at first thought it just a large comet, as I did when first viewing it from Tucson. But the clue to its extremely great height came quickly as the setting sun's rays left darkening high cirrus clouds far to the west (1), while the ring still shone with a beautiful lustrous silvery cast. From quick computation based on the sun's geometry (the ring went dark at about 1830 MST), I estimated its altitude at over 70 km, and immediately put out an appeal through press and radio for observers' reports. In all, some 300 reports were ultimately received, and subsequent press appeals for photos has led to a total of 83 photos from 13 different localities for photogrammetry use.

It is now known that the ring lay at an altitude of 43 km above sea level (to within a present uncertainty of only about one kilometer), which is higher than the 25-30 km range of Arctic noctuous clouds. It was nearly overhead at Flagstaff, Arizona, at about 1840 MST, and many excellent photos showing the cloud's unprecedented variety of internal wave structures have been received from persons in that area. Its north-south extent was over 20 miles, and its east-west width was around 30 miles. Like a loop altogether, its cross was open.

Although, to most observers in Arizona, its color appeared silvery white in the twilight sky, most observers in New Mexico reported blue-black. It was seen in Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, and even northern Mexico (Juarez, about 380 miles from the southern tip of the cloud-ring). In one report after another, I read the observers' emphatic remarks to the effect that, in a lifetime of cloud-watching, he had never before seen a cloud so beautiful as this one.

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The cloud ring seen at Flagstaff is featured for comparison with a long thin line in this photo by Leroy E. Collins, taken at Albuquerque, N. M., some 100 miles from the cloud. Because low-angle horizon-watching by the cloud particle illuminated to its upper in still greater being observed earlier the multiple day. Ring had set at Albuquerque about a half hour before this photo was made at 1842 MST. Keith Rottler before sunset Feb 1/10 at sea, with 1000m telephone line. Photo courtesy Sgt. Arthur A. Frensch, Fort AFB, who is making a study of the phenomenon.

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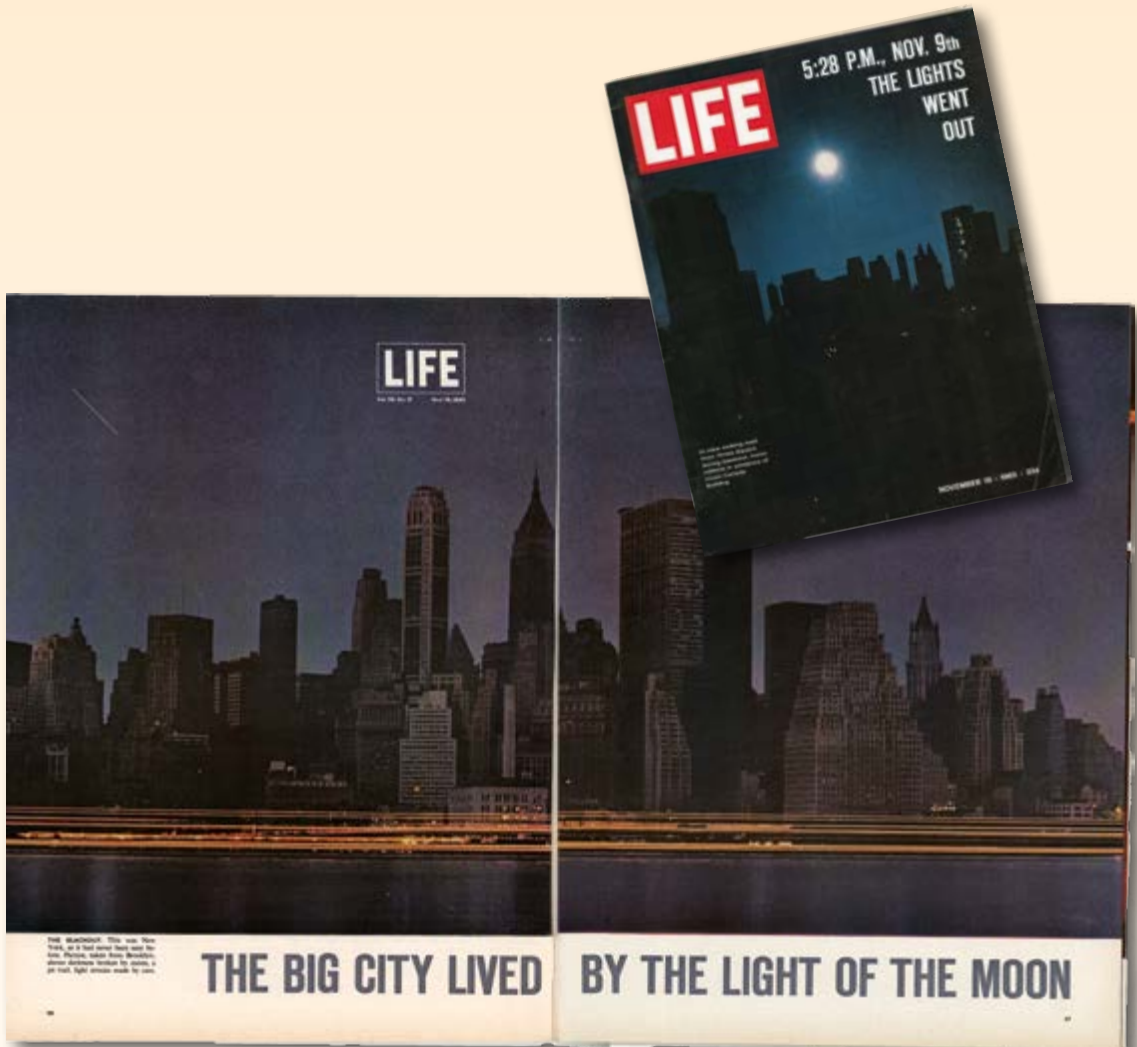


“They say communism will go take the world over. Don’t you believe that. Communism ain’t going to do nothing. Show me one place in the Bible where communism will ever take over. The Bible says Romanism will take over, not communism. Look at Daniel’s vision. See? Not—not communism, it’s a puppet in God’s hands to destroy Romanism.”

*A Testimony Upon the Sea, July 26, 1962*



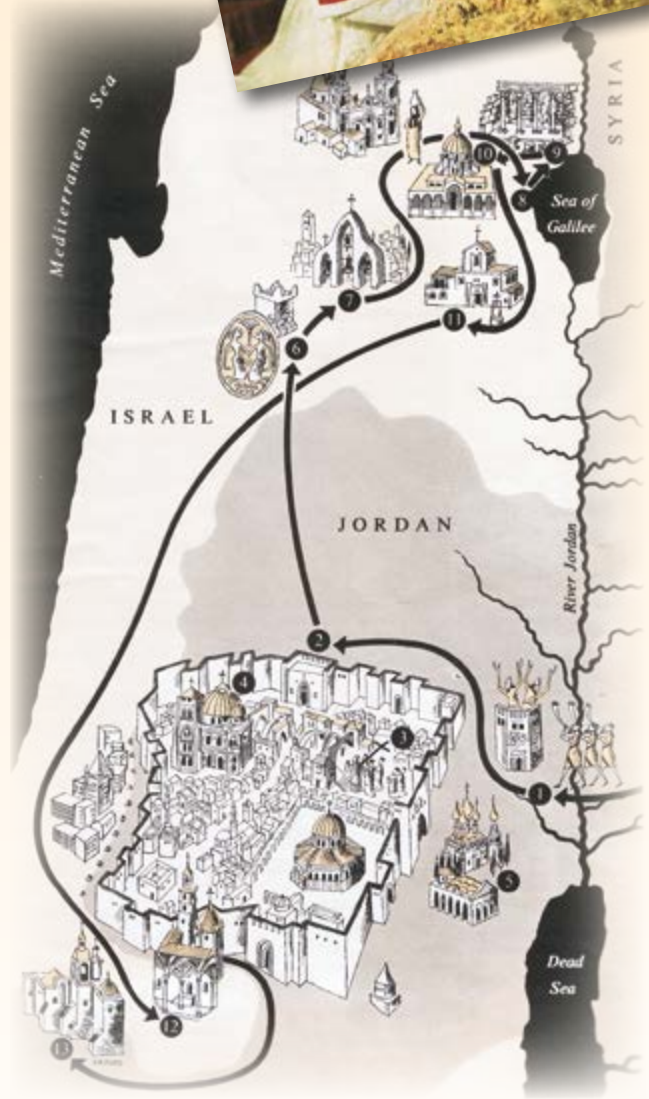
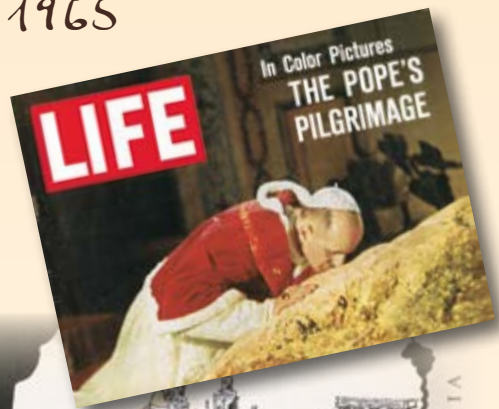
## Blackout on the East Coast, 1965



“Isn’t it a strange thing, that, not long ago, on the East Coast, the big blackout? They couldn’t understand it. Texas blacked out, last week. They can’t understand it. Don’t you realize that that’s a sign? Don’t you know the nations are breaking? Israel is in her homeland. And these signs are indicating that we are at the end. The same time it’s blacking out, don’t you know that’s a sign that the prophet said? Yeah. ‘But there shall be Light about the evening time,’ that there will be a Light come forth in the evening time, when the blackouts and things are going the way they are now.”

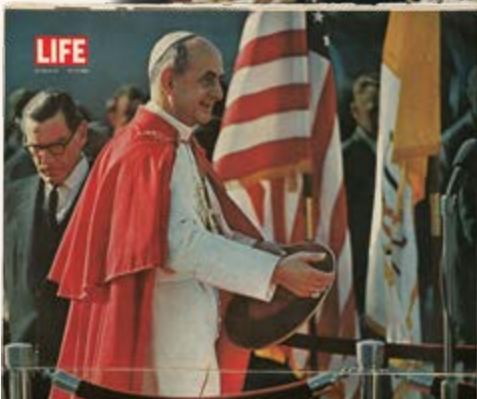
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# The Pope in the Holy Land, 1965



Pope Paul's route in the Holy Land

*The Pope in the USA, 1965*



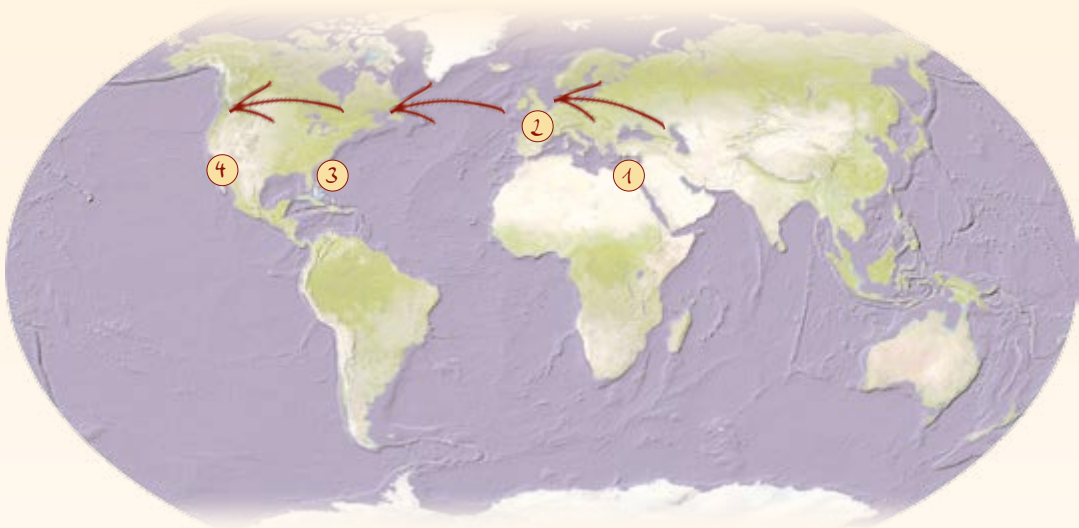
## From the East to the West

*For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.*

MATTHEW 24:27-28

“Geographically, the sun rises on the Eastern people, first. It rises in the East and sets in the West. Now follow me close. Civilization has traveled with the sun. We all know that, don’t we? So has the Gospel. The Gospel started in the East. It come from the East; across, over into Germany, across the Mediterranean, into Germany; from Germany, across the English Channel, into England; from there, across the Atlantic, into the United States, on the East Coast; and has traveled to the West Coast. Now the East and West has met. And the same sun that rises in the East, is the same sun that sets in the West.”

*The Identified Christ of All Ages, April 1, 1964*



- ① **Jesus of Nazareth, Paul**  
The sign of the Son of man for the Jews and the Samaritans
- ② **Irenaeus, Martin, Columba, Luther, Wesley**
- ③ **William Marrion Branham**  
The sign of the Son of man for the Gentiles
- ④ **Backside of the desert:**  
Visitation of the seven angels on Mount Sunset

## *A Thinking Man's Filter*

“So I turned around and went down by the river. And I thought, ‘I’ll go down here and hide till they get done, so I can get out.’ And on the road down, I happened to draw... My attention was drawn to look over to my right side. And as I did, there laid a empty cigarette package where one of them had thrown down, in all the running of the... when the squirrels were going through the bushes.

And I picked up this certain cigarette pack, and was look... I never picked it up; I beg your pardon. I looked down at it. I didn’t pick it up, ‘cause I don’t like the smell of the things, to begin with. And I looked down there, and it’s a – a certain tobacco company that I guess I shouldn’t call their name, but you’ll know. It said on there, ‘A thinking man’s filter and a smoking man’s taste.’ I looked at that thing, and I thought, ‘A thinking man’s filter?’ I thought, ‘If the man could think at all, he wouldn’t smoke at all. How could it be a ‘thinking man’s filter?’ A thinking man wouldn’t smoke at all.’ All right.”

*A Thinking Man's Filter*, August 22, 1965



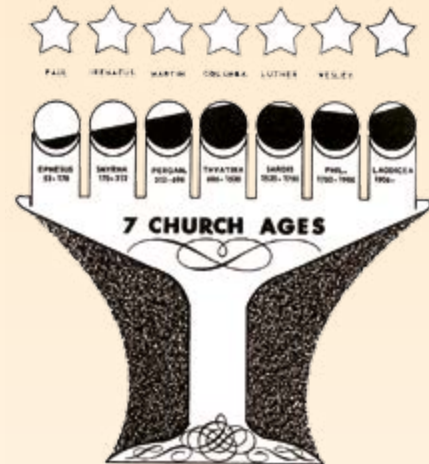
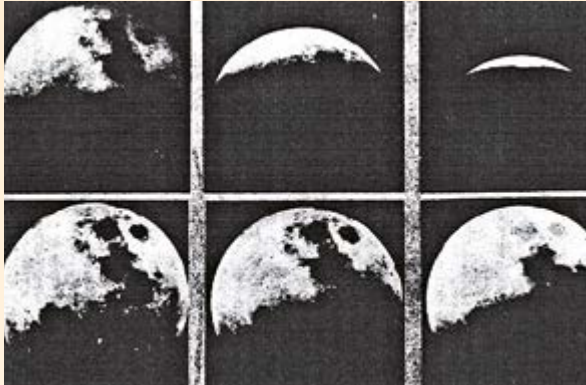
# Seven Church Ages

*The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.*

REVELATION 1:20



## Moon Blackened Out



“Which that was the church, the moon is the church, represents the church. And before the church, the shadow of the world crosses the moon. And the shadow of worldlyism, the shadow of worldliness, worldly church, has swept across to blackout the entire Light of the Bible. The world got in the light of the reflection. Do you understand? The world crossed in the light of the moon, and blinded out the sun. And the reflection of the moon that’s supposed to be giving light to the earth, it was blacked out. And It come in and drew the pictures just exactly like It did, by inspiration, before it happened.

Now, that, I believe, Sister Simpson, was the Tucson paper. I don’t know if Sister Simpson knew... She didn’t understand it then. She said, ‘I cut out some pictures for you and some notes out of the paper,’ and handed it to me. And I thought something strange. I went in there and picked it up, and looked at it; I said, ‘There it is, just exactly (See?), just what I’ve been looking for.’ And there it was in the paper.”

*Shalom*, January 12, 1964

“You have astounding picture there tonight, that’s going in that book, of three years, how the Lord’s let me draw it out on the blackboard, and show just how the church ages would fail and when, and how they would go up and down. And as soon as that was finished, that great Angel of the Lord, that Light, before practically as many people setting here, come right on the side of the wall, stand there (and people fainting), and drew it right out with Itself on the wall. Three years later, the moon darkened and went right out, just exactly, in the day... just before the pope, first pope, went to Rome. And when the church and ecumenical council is ready... Oh, brother, sister, don’t let me get started on that. We’re right here at the end, every sign, everything laying just right.”

*Scriptural Signs of the Time*, April 10, 1964

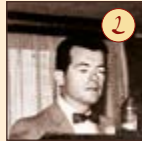
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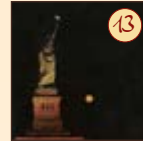
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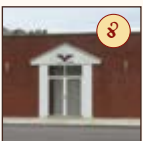
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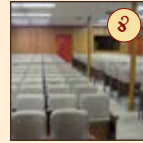
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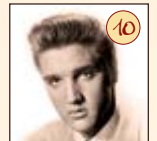
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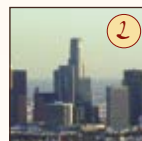
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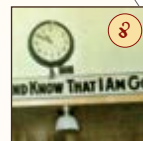
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## The Tender Hand of Jehovah



“...Just as it was in Egypt, a pharaoh rising, who knew not Joseph; as it was in Germany and in—up into Russia and Italy. The people raised up Josephs, Hitler, Stalin, Mussolini, who hated the Jews. They had to go back to their homeland. God, You got ways of doing things that we don’t understand, and You pressed them, no home in Germany, everything taken away from them, also in Italy, Russia: no place to go, and they were sent back to their homeland just to fulfill the Word. Oh, the loving hand of God. How, sometimes it looks cruel, the way that people suffer, but it’s still, it’s the tender hand of Jehovah leading His little children. We thank You, Lord.”

*The Third Exodus, June 30, 1963*



“Notice, hardened their hearts... Now, when was there ever a complete global strife after that time? Was the First World War. All of the armies, the nations, were gathering into one... They was writing on the decline of the First World War. Nobody knows today whoever made a issue of peace. Kaiser Wilhelm said he didn’t do it. No general said he didn’t do it. But notice, how strange it was. **It was on November the 11th at eleven o’clock in the day. The eleventh day of the month, the eleventh month in the year, the eleventh hour of the day, and eleven minutes till eleven.** What was it? Hold, stop mysteriously... What

did it? God’s issue went forth to hold it. ‘Hold the four winds.’ ‘Winds’ means ‘war and strife’; we know. Until we have got Israel back in Palestine again, ‘Hold the four winds,’ and it stopped right there on the eleventh hour because... Remember Jesus speaking of the eleventh hour, people? And the one that come in on the eleventh hour, what did He say?

Oh, don’t be dumb; be spiritual. Look, how did He say? The eleventh hour people got the same wage the one did that come in the first hour. Then the baptism of the Holy Ghost has to go right back and seal the Jew, like the first one was sealed, that eleventh hour people. ‘Hold the four winds; don’t let the world be destroyed until we seal the servants of our God in their forehead.’”

*The Mark of the Beast and the Seal of God #2, February 17, 1961*





“We see Israel in her homeland, with her ensign lifted up, the six-point star of David. She’s got her own money, her own nation, her own army. She’s got everything. She’s—she’s Israel. What is it? She’s there, ready for the purging, that God will take that hundred and forty-four thousand from it. Look at the church today, is in its chaos, all mixed up and everything. It’s looking, ‘And we got more in there. We got better than they have. We’re this, that, and the other.’ And there that Bride is looking to the Coming of the Lord Jesus. Which, that secret, secret Coming of Christ shall come and catch away His Bride in the night.”

*Look*, April 28, 1963

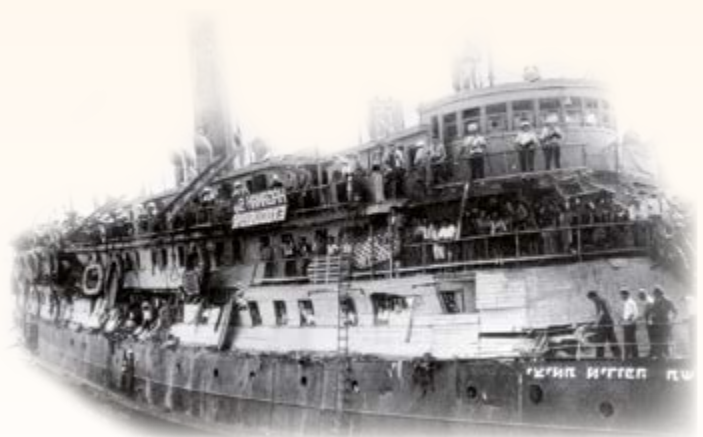


“It won’t be long. Everything is perfectly. Geographically, Sodom, the messengers; everything sitting just exactly right. See? What does it mean? Just think, coming to this one little tabernacle, fifteen hundred miles square, from the same dimensions.

Why is it God so thought and cared so much about that little place of Palestine, see, when it’s just a little spot? But right in there is where the temple is set. That’s where the New Jerusalem will break up, right there. ‘Olive, Mount of Olive shall cleave, part to the right and left,’ sure, when she pushes up from the beneath. Not, they say, it’s pushing apart like this. It’s pushing up, ‘In that day when He stands His holy feet upon the Mountain...’”

*The Future Home of the Heavenly Bridegroom and the Earthly Bride*, August 2, 1964

*Ship Exodus, 1947*



## Backside of the Desert



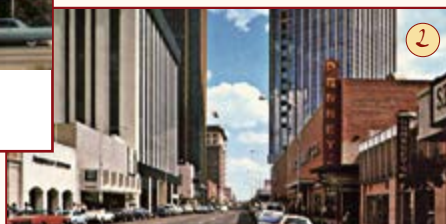
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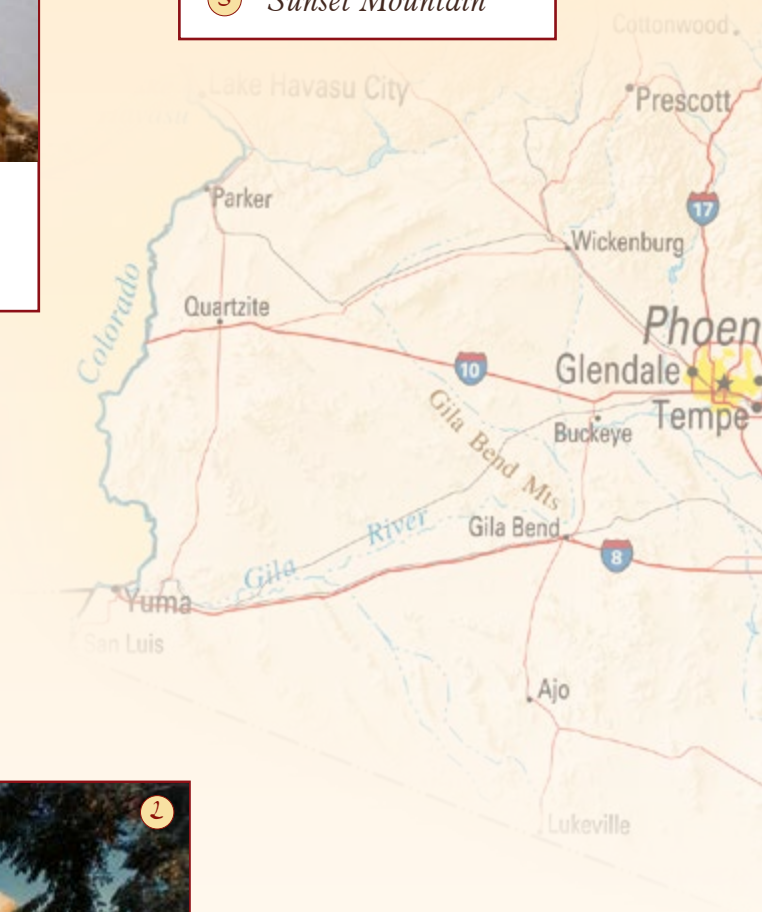


Temple Emanu-El,  
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J. C. Penney Store in the Center  
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- ① Sabino Canyon
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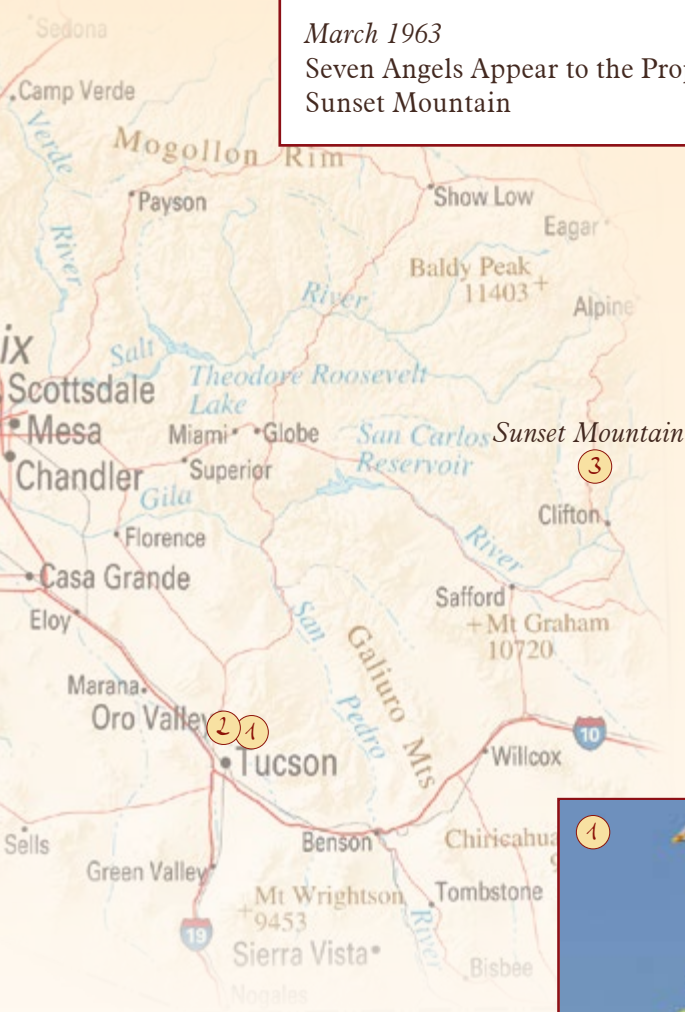




March 1963  
Seven Angels Appear to the Prophet,  
Sunset Mountain



February 29, 1964  
“Judgment Striking the West Coast,”  
Sunset Mountain



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“Your Enemy Is Dead,”  
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September 21, 1965  
The Seventh Dove Appears,  
Sabino Canyon



September 22, 1965  
“Dove Leading Eagle,”  
Eagle Rock, Sabino Canyon

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## Brother Branham's Poem about the Catalina Mountains

“And in this poetry, just watch how it come to pass. Setting there, a little old kid with a borrowed sheet of paper, I said:”

I am lonesome, oh, so lonesome  
For that far away southwest,  
Where the shadows fall the deepest  
Over the mountain crest.

I can see a lurking coyote  
All around the purple haze;  
I can hear a lobo hollering  
Down where the longhorns graze.

And somewhere up a canyon  
I can hear a lion whine,  
In that far off Catalina Mountains  
At the Arizona line.

W. M. Branham

*A Man Running from the Presence of the Lord,  
February 17, 1965*

## *Dreaming of being a Cowboy*

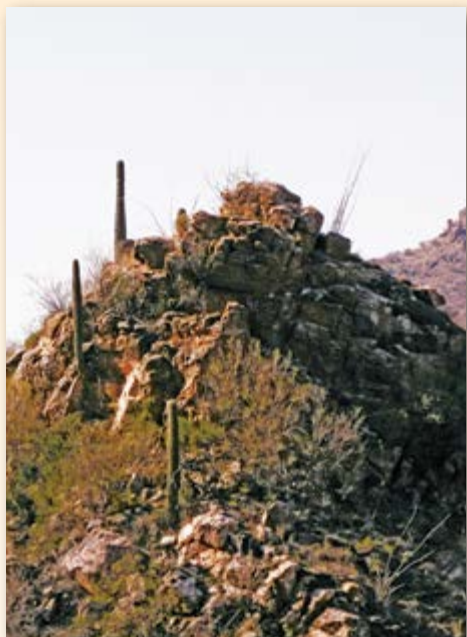


*Pursuing his dream of being a cowboy, a young William Branham traveled west to Arizona at the end of 1927 with Mr. Francisco.*



*This Arizona mountain lion fulfilled the words of the poem that Brother Branham was inspired to write as a youngster.*

*"The Sword of the King",  
January 1963*



*The Sword of the King appeared in Brother Branham's hand at this place, called "Pulpit Rock".*







*The sun shone through this “U-shaped” saddle as the Sword of the King appeared in Brother Branham’s hand.*



*As he stood in the place called “Pulpit Rock,” Brother Branham could look down to the city of Tucson.*



## Seven Angels Appear to the Prophet, Sunset Mountain



“And I went around a big chasm, oh, my, hundreds and hundreds of feet, just great rocks in the great canyon there, them big walls.”

*Trying to do God a Service without it being Gods Will, November 27, 1965*



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“...And I was going to put a little piece of kleenex of the mesquite there, so I could point myself to which ridge to go out when I come back.”

*Is Your Life Worthy of the Gospel*, June 30, 1963



*A drawing Brother Branham made while hunting*

# J. C. Penney Store in the Center of Tucson, 1963



*An escalator like this is where Brother Branham saw a vision of hell fulfilled.*

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*Judgment will Strike the West Coast,  
Sunset Mountain, February 1964*





*Brother Branham and his hunting buddies at their base camp*



*Brother Branham with Gene Norman*



*Brother Branham with Douglas McHughes*

## *Pillar of Fire over Finger Rock, "Marriage and Divorce", January 1965*



*People in all sections of Tucson reported seeing the mysterious cloud.*

*Children from an elementary school were taken outside to look at the cloud as it pulsed up and down.*



*Ronnie, a young boy, at Evans' filling station saw the cloud and asked Brother Branham if God had been talking to him up on the mountain.*





*Along the trail to Finger Rock*



*Brother Branham walked up the Finger Rock trail, part way up the mountain. Right above him was the place called Finger Rock.*



*Looking down on Tucson from the summit, near Finger Rock*

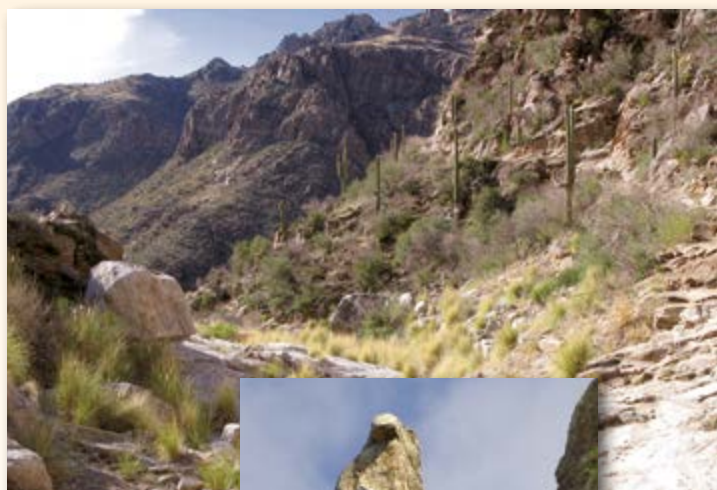
## Sabino Canyon, September 1965



*Brother Branham saw a dark squirrel-like animal when God told him  
"Your Enemy is Dead."*



*The Seventh Dove Appears*



*Eagle Rock  
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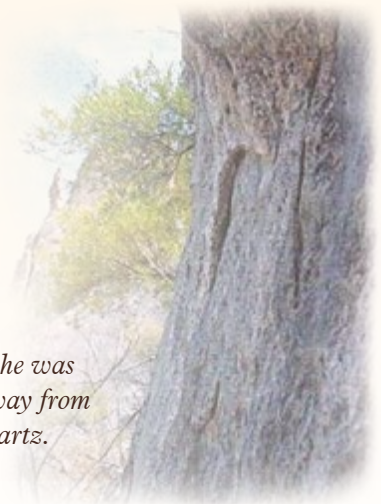
*The two large rocks Brother Branham described as being larger than his apartment on North Park Avenue.*

*A cholla, or “jumping cactus” on which a squirrel-like animal was killed, according to the vision. Now Brother Branham knew the demon that had plagued his stomach for so many years had finally left him.*

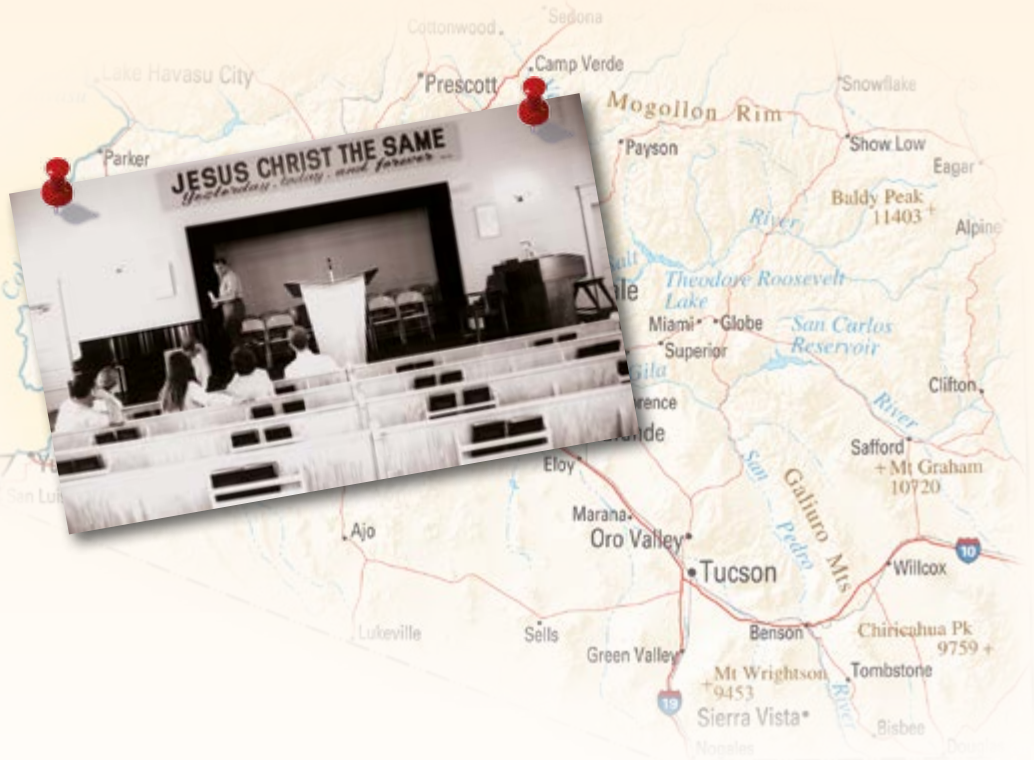


*God told Brother Branham “to go back on the mountain” where he saw the Seventh Dove appeared.*

*The rock where a voice asked Brother Branham what he was leaning against, over his heart. As he moved himself away from the rock, he saw the word “Eagle” written in white quartz.*



# First Tucson Tabernacle





“...Then noticing, just as they passed this building, the music changed to ‘Onward Christian Soldiers,’ playing their marches behind; but when they passed this spot...”

*What House Will You Build Me*, November 21, 1965

## Poem of the Congregation for the Birthday of Brother Branham

He's not a man of stature tall, nor lofty in his way;  
He sounds himself no trumpet, as he goes from day to day.  
Has no desire for wealth nor fame, but none his place could fill;  
He's just the way we want him, our own dear Brother Bill.

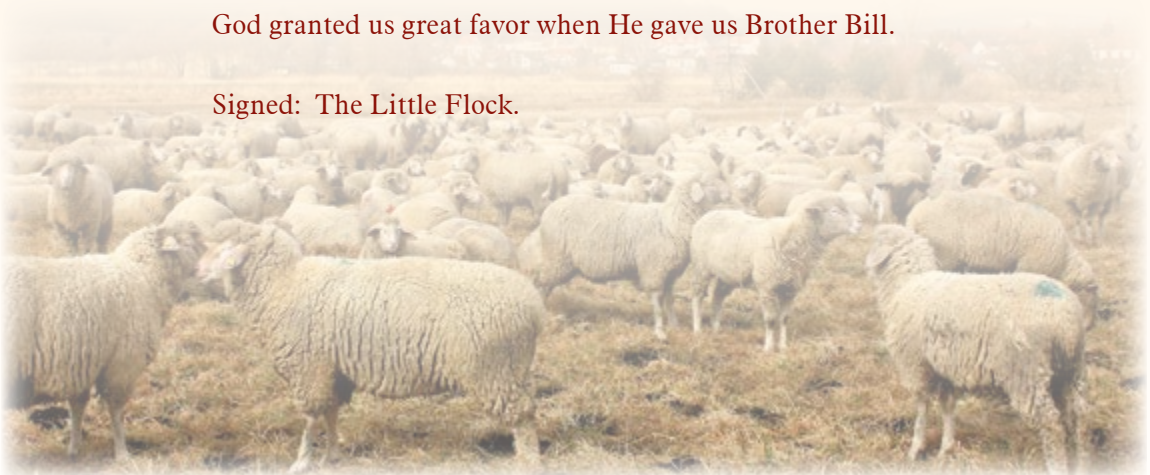
He teaches us with faithfulness the undiluted Word,  
No fancy ways, no love for praise, just following the Lord.  
His speech is soft and gentle; He raises not his voice,  
Except to cry against the wrong, and then he has no choice.

Never got a lot of learning, from colleges and school;  
But he knows what is important, and he's sure nobody's fool.  
For the knowledge he is given is Eternal from above;  
He has no creed, except our Christ, no law but Sovereign Love.

There was no great announcement to his lowly, humble birth,  
But to us he is the greatest man who lives upon the earth.  
We count it more than privilege to know him as a friend,  
We cherish all he stands for, and will right to the end.

He says he's not a preacher; he's modest as can be,  
But get him in the pulpit, and it isn't hard to see.  
He was foreordained a prophet, let men call it what they will;  
God granted us great favor when He gave us Brother Bill.

Signed: The Little Flock.



## "Because Thou Hast Chosen"

"And, here, all three notes exactly the same, of French. And here is the way it reads. This is the original notes taken, note taken right off. This is Danny's note, hisself, he packed in his pocket. Course, it went in the Christian Business Men, and so forth.

'Because thou hast chosen the narrow path, the harder way; thou hast walked in your own choosing. Thou hast picked the correct and precise decision, and it is My Way. Because of this momentous decision, a huge portion of Heaven will await thee. What a glorious decision thou hast made! This in itself is that which will give and make come to pass the tremendous victory in the love Divine.' Now, the man signed his name here. 'The above statement was interpreted by, of Danny Henry prophesying over Brother Branham, given by three witnesses in the cafeteria in Los Angeles, California.'

Now, this same young man that give this prophecy, not knowing what he was saying, was in Jerusalem about a month ago. He had the privilege of going out and—and laying in the tomb where Jesus had died and was buried. And so while he was laying there, he said I come upon his mind real strong and he started weeping. Said, 'How that it has been so hard for Brother Branham to stand against the world and these things, and all churches!' Like it—it was once said of one, of the Billy Graham part, said, 'We can see Billy Graham, cause all churches are united together for him. We see Oral Roberts, the Pentecostals. But how do we ever have anything, when It's contrary to what people have been taught?' It's God.

And Danny, what he does for a hobby, he makes little stones. He walked out to where the cross had been put down, where they said the cross set in the rock. No one was around, so he broke off a little piece of rock, and he put it into his pocket for a souvenir, come home and made me a pair of cuff links out of it. And strangely, when he made them, they looked to be bloodstained, and right through each one of them, in continuity, runs a straight, narrow path right through both of them. Now, that might be just a... See, I—someone else might not notice it, but to me it's complementary to the things I believe. I believe that everything has a meaning to it."

*Marriage and Divorce*, February 21, 1965



## Modern Events Made Clear ...



“There’s been a Roman revival. Do you know what happens? If they give the western part, or the eastern part of Berlin back, that puts communism just, or I mean the Roman empire, just exactly in the old circle it was in the time of Jesus. Certainly it does, perfectly.”

*The End-Time Sign Seed, March 19, 1962*



“Like this fellow down here in—in (What’s his name?) Castro did. He done the only smart thing he ever did do then, when he destroyed the bonds: paid them off and destroyed them. Notice, but we can’t do that. These guys won’t let us.

The rich merchants of the earth hold it, and then there’s only one thing to do: The Catholic church can pay it off. She’s the only one that’s got the money; she can do it, and she will do it. And in doing this to get it, she’ll compromise with the Jews and make a covenant, and when she makes this covenant with the Jews...

Now, remember, I’m taking this from the Scriptures. And now, when she does this and makes this covenant, we notice in Daniel 8:23 and 25 he will cause craft to prosper (And craft is manufacturing.), in his hand.”

*The First Seal, March 18, 1963*

Gorbachev once said:

*“The collapse of the Iron Curtain would have been impossible without John Paul II.”*





## ... World Politics



“Did you hear ‘Life Line’ the other morning. Why, you know, it’s just like you sell bonds on the gold. The bonds is already took up. And this present government now is spending money for what? For tax money that they’ll be collecting forty years from now.”

*The Stature of a Perfect Man, October 14, 1962*



“Furthermore, the elect will not only be kept, but as this move becomes the ‘IMAGE ERECTED TO THE BEAST,’ the saints will be gone in the rapture. And this little delightful, winsome movement that started out in fellowship at Ephesus will become the monster of Satan that defiles and deceives the whole world. For the church system of the Roman Catholic and the Protestant in coming together will control the whole wealth of the world system and force the whole earth into its religious trap, or will kill them, by refusing them the privilege of buying and selling whereby they would make a living.

This will be accomplished simply, for the harlot’s daughters are all but gone back to her. In the meantime, Rome has acquired nearly all the supplies of gold. The Jews have the bonds and all the paper. At the right time, the harlot will destroy the present day money system by calling in all the paper, and demanding gold. With no gold, the system falls. The Jews will be trapped and come into the alliance, and the harlot church will take over the whole world.”

*Philadelphian Church Age, Church Age Book*

*And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number [is] Six hundred threescore [and] six.*

REVELATION 13:16-18

## Modern Events Made Clear ...

“Notice, making ready the people. How perfect then the Seventh Trumpet and the Seventh Seal is, perfectly together, the persecution of the Jews...



Note, in Revelations the 9th chapter and the 13th verse (Now notice real close.), under the Sixth Trumpet (Revelations 9:13), under the Sixth Trumpet, note, there was two hundred thousand horsemen that had been bound in the river of Euphrates was turned loose under the Sixth Trumpet. Now, there's not two hundred thousand horsemen in the world, but there was two hundred thousand horsemen. Notice it. (I want you just jot it down, so you can read it.) They wasn't natural horses. They breathed fire, and they had breastplates of jasper, and—and they had tails, and the end of the tail looked like a serpent, a snake's head on the end of it, stinging. See? It was spiritual horses, spiritual devils, chargers, that had been bound in Euphrates all these years, supernatural devils. What was it? The old Roman Empire being revived, the persecution of the Jews. And they'd been bound for nearly two thousand years at the river Euphrates, can't cross to the promise, a religious sect that was trying to get to the other side. Euphrates, you know, come through Eden. But they were bound there, two hundred thousand devils of persecution.”

*The Feast of the Trumpets, July 19, 1964*



“Yeah. The Euphrates River, it's always been a great river, because the Euphrates River has a great place in the Bible. The first place we find, that it run right through Eden: Euphrates River did. The Bible says it come right through Eden. The next thing we find out, the Euphrates River also was a river that come right straight down through Babylon—same river. See? Euphrates River come right through Babylon.”

*Thy House, August 8, 1961*

## ... Arabic World

“Now, we find out, all this trying to achieve something great, make some kind of a—a great memorial to their own name, something super. Nimrod, one time he wanted to achieve a way to go to Heaven without any atonement, so he built a super tower. There’s many towers, but he tried to build a super tower. What happened to it? It fell.

Along come Nebuchadnezzar; he built a super city, thought he could build these big walls up, walled wide enough he could run a chariot race around them, and the great iron gates and the things that he built, put the river right through the middle: a type of Heaven:

swinging gardens and his throne, right by the river, like the river—river Euphrates; and like the river of Life in the garden of Eden, and the river of Life in the Kingdom of God. And what happened? It fell, because it could not stand.”

*A Super Sign, July 8, 1962*



## Modern Events Made Clear ...

“You can’t tell them, because the devil has taken the nation over. It come to us a few years ago; he lived in Paris, the devil and his angels. And they had the First World War, and Germany would’ve sunk this nation beneath the earth, but we went over to help them. And soon as it was over, it was back again, wine, women, and big time.



Then Satan sent his patterns over here, stripped our women, brought disgrace to our nation, through the patterns and fashions. Then he just took his army and landed in Hollywood.”

*Have Faith in God*, May 10, 1958



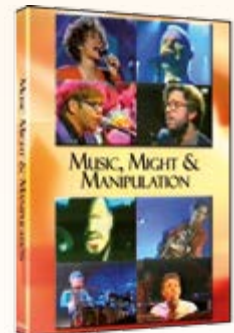
“Just like you notice men today, you don’t find that genuineness in men. You don’t find it in women. Now, I’m not talking about... Reason I’m basing this, is get to ‘Shalom.’ See?

But you notice the women in our day, they don’t seem to have that ladylike they once had. They’re just like they—they want to, but there’s something won’t let them do it. It seems like there’s a heaviness.

That, you tell a—a lady that she should not do such-and-such a thing, and the lady looks upon That and believes That, she wants to believe That, but there’s something that presses her the other way. See? Poor thing, I—I—I feel sorry for her.

She’s so caught in such a web of Hollywood, and the advertisements in television, radio, newspaper, on the street, in—in the store windows, with modern dress and so forth, and the way that other women meet her. And it seems to be that there is something that they just can’t pull away from; our young people, our old people, our middle age.”

*Shalom*, January 12, 1964



## ... Science and Morality

“May not one who sat here tonight and heard the message, may not one of them be lost from the least child to the oldest person. May their holy desire be only for God and His Word. We know not what hour He may appear, or what hour He may summons us to answer up yonder at the judgment. We don’t know what hour He may, as it was, take our card from the rack, say, ‘It’s homecoming time. You’ve got to go.’ God help us to keep pure. Grant it, Lord.



May we live till the Coming of the Lord, if it be possible. May we do everything that’s in our power, with love and understanding, understanding that God is searching the world, today, finding every lost sheep. And may we talk to them with seasoned prayer of love and the Word of God, that we might find that last one, so we can go Home, and get out of this old Eden of Satan here, Lord. That’s all built upon lust, and beautiful women, as so-called in the world, with their advertisements on there, ‘We advertise, and want boys to come with jam on their faces, and pretty girls with shorts on...’”

*Satan’s Eden, August 29, 1965*

*Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded.*

LUKE 17:28



## Modern Events Made Clear ...

“Now, he’s tried many achievements. He’s tried to achieve this through science, and every time that he moves through science he only destroys himself. Every time that science makes something, he destroys himself: gunpowder, and atomic energy, and—and nuclear weapons, and automobiles, and all these things. Yet temporarily it helps him. But in the long run it destroys himself, because he—it’s something that he has achieved while he’s in God’s workshop trying to make something, pervert what God has made, and put it into his own ideas, and make it up.”



*An Ensign*, January 19, 1962

*For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected [the same] in hope, Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only [they], but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, [to wit], the redemption of our body.*

ROMANS 8:19-23



*For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these [are] the beginning of sorrows.*

MATTHEW 24:7-8

## ... Nature and Judgment

“And the only thing He done was let men, foolish, silly men, do exactly with his science, to bring to pass that what He knowed would come. God never destroyed the world; man destroys the world. God don’t destroy nothing; God tries to preserve everything.

Man destroys himself by his knowledge, like he did in the garden of Eden at the tree, so forth. And so some fanatic got ahold of some atomic power, somewhere, that they had it.”

*Revelation Chapter Four #2, January 1, 1961*



*And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.*

LUKE 21:11

“We’re living in the shadows of the time. It could happen any time. When we see the times come for things to take place, the very wickedness of the enemy, the very powers...



We look at these snowstorms and everything a happening, all these pestilences, all different things, that’s all caused by these interruptions of firing these bombs and things.

They’re getting things all mixed up here. And they’re messing around in God’s big laboratory to fulfill His Word. It’s going to happen.”

*The Invasion of the United States, May 9, 1954*

## Modern Events Made Clear ...

“There’s that red dragon, the devil. Where’s his seat at? In... Not in Russia; in Rome. And said, ‘The Devil give him his seat and his authority, red dragon,’ not Russia. I hear great ministers saying, ‘The Russian is the antichrist.’ Why, the Russian has nothing to do with the antichrist.

That’s communism. The fault of Protestantism and Catholicism has produced communism.



The reason the Russians drove them out of there, because they had all the money, and had all the prayers said to them saints, so they built the biggest buildings, and had all the wealth of the people, and bundled it up like that. And they seen they lived no different, and was no different from any of the rest of the world, and they spued it out and formed communism. Now, if you’ll give me one more night, if God does, I’ll prove to you that communism is working straight in the hands of Almighty God to destroy the Roman... And remember, I say this as God’s prophet: The Russian empire will drop an atomic bomb of some sort on the Vatican City and destroy it in one hour. ‘THUS SAITH THE LORD.’

And the Bible said that God took them cruel-hearted men and put them in His hands, and they were instruments in His hands to fulfill His will, and to bring back to her exactly what she had coming to her. That’s exactly. That’s the Word.”

*The Mark of the Beast, May 13, 1954*

“But the Lord showed me a vision of the great powerful woman, in ’33, 1933, it’s on paper. Of how that ‘Roosevelt would cause... he would help cause the world to go to war.’ How that ‘Mussolini would make his first invasion to Ethiopia and he would take it, but he would come to a disgraceful end.’ And how that ‘Then the three ism: Nazism, Facism, and Communism, would all wind up in Communism.’ And how many in here remembers me just keep having you stand, just say it over, I’d tell you, ‘Watch Russia! Watch Russia, the king of the North! Watch Russia, king of the North! Watch Russia, king of the North!’ How many has heard me just say, just wave that over, over? The old-timers, you see, back in the early part of the church. Just stand there and wave it over and over, ‘Watch Russia, the king of the North! See, what he would do, for all those isms will heap up into Russia.’”

*The Laodicean Church Age, December 11, 1960*



## ... "Watch Russia"

*Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong [is] the Lord God who judgeth her. And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning, Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.*

REVELATION 18:8-10

“See, the Euphrates River runs today. We—we know that. You see? And—and the Amazon, South America, and the Nile in Egypt, and the Euphrates, and the... Oh, what is that other one? There is two rivers there in—that headed up there at the head of Eden. And the—the Euphrates River is when this great... made way for it to come down. See, making way for the king of the north to come down, the kings.

That’ll be—that’ll take place during the time of the battle of Armageddon in the last days. You see? That Euphrates River.”

*Thy House*, August 8, 1961

*And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.*

DANIEL 11:40



## The Charismatic Healing Movement ...

Spring 1904	Revival in Wales. The Welsh Revival was the largest full-scale Christian revival in Wales during the 20th century.
April 1906	The outpouring of the Holy Spirit, at a Pentecostal revival meeting in Los Angeles, California, USA, began what has become known as the Azusa Street Revival. The Holy Spirit chose the Apostolic Faith Mission to become the center of the last great revival in the United States and virtually every Pentecostal movement worldwide can trace its origins directly back to the Azusa Street Revival.
1908	The Federal Council of Churches in America was founded to promote ecumenical unity and liberal social and political causes.
April 1909	Birth of William Branham.
April 1914	Beginning of Assemblies of God. The Pentecostal aspects of the revival were not generally welcomed by established churches, and participants in the movement soon found themselves forced outside existing religious bodies. America's racial prejudice, as evidenced by the commonly called Jim Crow laws, further hindered the Pentecostal movement due to forced segregation.
Oct. 1916	Separation between the Assemblies of God and the Oneness Pentecostal churches began, due to disagreements on doctrine including the Trinity and the Baptism in the name of Jesus Christ.
1920s	A small coterie of American healing revivalists established independent ministries. One of the most notable ministers was F.F. Bosworth. Years later he became an important advisor to other revivalists and his knowledge was widely sought, until he passed away in 1958. Other noted revivalists include Smith Wigglesworth, Thomas Wyatt, John G. Lake, Raymond T. Richey, Charles S. Price, and many others.
1920s	Countries experiencing the Pentecostal outpouring included Russia, Latvia, Estonia, Czechoslovakia, Ukraine, Romania, Poland, Congo, Nigeria, Cameroon, the Ivory Coast, England, the Hebrides Islands, Scotland and Ireland. Later China, and Korea reported extraordinary revivals and fiery evangelism prompted by the movement of the Holy Spirit.
1920s	During the 1920s, rifts began to widen among the Christian denominations over diverse issues. These disagreements continued through the 20th Century and into the 21st Century.
1930	F.F. Bosworth established the National Radio Revival Missionary Crusaders - numerous similar radio programs began to air as a tool to spread the Gospel.
June 1933	The Ohio River was the site of a dramatic visitation of the Pillar of Fire, at a baptismal service held by Brother Branham.
Feb. 1939	Billy Graham formally became an ordained minister in the Southern Baptist Convention, while still studying at Wheaton University.

## ... in the 20th Century, 1904-1956

1942	A myriad of churches joined together to form the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE), a fellowship of member denominations, churches, organizations, and individuals. Its goal was to unify, serve and represent Evangelicals in the United States.
May 1946	An Angel visited Brother Branham and gave him a commission. Shortly after this visitation he saw visions showing sick people being healed. He began offering prayer lines during his services. Brother Branham, who formed the most influential healing ministry, was later joined by Oral Roberts at the forefront of the healing revivals.
1946	Cooperation among the Pentecostal churches launched even more spectacular healing revivals.
March 1947	Gordon Lindsay became campaign manager for Brother Branham.
June 1947	Oral Roberts resigned from his church and began an itinerant ministry. Notable healings began to occur. His tent designed to hold 3,000 people was exchanged for a larger tent that would allow 12,000 people to attend his services.
Nov. 1947	Returning from India, T.L. Osborn reignited his failed ministry after he and his wife attended Brother Branham's healing revival meetings.
Feb. 1948	Brother Branham challenged the leaders and students of the Sharon Orphanage and School in North Battleford, Canada, to see a deeper dimension of Christianity. Returning to their school, they began to fast and pray for a touch from God which provided the spark needed to ignite the controversial Latter Rain Movement.
April 1948	Gordon Lindsay began publishing the <i>Voice of Healing</i> Magazine to promote the healing campaigns of Brother Branham.
July 1948	The Oral Roberts Evangelistic Association was established.
Jan. 1950	The Pillar of Fire was captured, on film, by a professional photographer. Local minister, Dr. Best, hired him to discredit divine healing. However, this photo became the most famous picture of the revival, and achieved iconic proportions.
Sept. 1950	The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association was founded.
1950s	Donald Gee, editor of the magazine <i>Pentecost</i> , acted as peacemaker between the churches and independent ministers holding healing revivals.
Jan. 1952	The Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International (FGBMFI) was founded in Los Angeles, California, USA, by Demos Shakarian and some 20 other businessmen.
Sept. 1956	Brother Branham was asked to be the keynote speaker at the jubilee celebration of the Azusa Street Revival. Fifty years earlier, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Azusa Street brought the Pentecostal experience to the West Coast of North America and soon spread throughout the world.

## The Charismatic Healing Movement ...

April 1960	At the beginning of the Charismatic Movement, Father Dennis Bennett, an Episcopal priest, announced to his Van Nuys, California, USA, congregation he had personally spoken in tongues and he believed this was the pattern for the church. The Charismatic Movement appeared in nearly all the Protestant denominations, the Roman Catholic Church, and, to a lesser extent, in Eastern Orthodox churches.
June 1960	In the message, <i>The Rejected King</i> , Brother Branham told his congregation about five major denominations who had refused to allow him to preach in their churches, mainly because of his teaching on the original sin, often called “the serpent’s seed.” It seemed these denominations accepted him for his gift of healing but rejected the Word he brought.
May 1962	The Greater Ministerial Association of Chicago set a trap for Brother Branham, but the Lord showed him in a vision of what was to happen. Knowing the Angel of the Lord was with him, he challenged all of the ministers present to come up with the Word of God, to show him where his doctrine was incorrect. None accepted the challenge.
1962	Brother Branham spoke against the seminars of Mattsson-Boze in the message <i>End-time Evangelism</i> .
Feb. 1963	Oral Roberts founded the Oral Roberts University, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, USA.
Feb./March 1963	Picture was made of the Seven Angels that appeared to Brother Branham at Sunset Mountain.
May 1965	Brother Branham’s last visit to South Africa. He was denied permission to preach.
Feb. 1967	The Catholic Renewal Movement began at the Duquesne Weekend in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA, after Patti G. Mansfield was overwhelmed by the Holy Spirit. From the earliest days of the Renewal she served as a leader through teaching, writing and pastoral ministry. Her testimony was widely published and she spoke at conferences and retreats for laity and priests in the United States and around the world. Many saw an answer to the prayer of Pope John XXIII for a new Pentecost, after the Second Council.
Late 1960s - Early 1970s	The Jesus Movement began on the West Coast of the United States and spread throughout North America and Europe, before dying out in the early 1980s. Members of the Movement were called Jesus People, or Jesus Freaks. The Jesus movement left a legacy of various denominations and Christian organizations. Jesus music, most notably written by Keith Green, grew out of the movement. It greatly influenced contemporary Christian music and helped to spawn various musical subgenres, such as “Christian” rock and “Christian” heavy metal.
1970s	The Catholic Renewal Movement extends to the churches in Europe. Pope Paul VI called the movement a chance for the church in Europe.

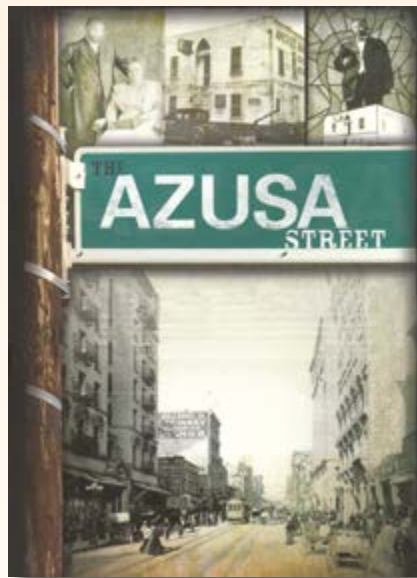
## ... in the 20th Century, 1960-1970

Although the Pentecostal Revival began in 1906 at the turn of the 20th century, the miraculous healing campaigns of William Branham began a spiritual explosion in 1946. This spiritual awakening moved into the main streets of the USA in the 1950s. They in turn gave birth to the even more broad Charismatic Movement of the 1960s. Splinter groups from all of these movements, as well as the other twenty plus major religions, had increased the number of world-wide religions to over 10,000 by the end of the 20th century.

*The Editor*

“The person universally acknowledged as the revival’s ‘father’ and pacesetter was William Branham. The sudden appearance of his miraculous healing campaigns in 1946 set off a spiritual explosion in the pentecostal movement which moved to main street, USA, by the 1950s. It gave birth to the broader Charismatic Movement in the 1960s, which currently affects every denomination in the country.”

*The Dictionary of Pentecostal and Charismatic Movements*



## Life's Journey



### ***Fidel Alejandro Castro Ruz*** (born August 13, 1926).

A Cuban revolutionary and politician, Castro held the position of Prime Minister of Cuba from 1959 to 1976, and then President from 1976 to 2008. Politically a Marxist-Leninist, under his administration Cuba converted to a one-party socialist state, with industry. Following intestinal surgery from an undisclosed digestive illness, Castro transferred his responsibilities to the First Vice-President, his younger brother Raul Castro, on July 31, 2006. On February 19, 2008, five days before his mandate was to expire, he announced he would neither seek nor accept a new term as either president or commander-in-chief. Until June 2012 Castro was most active in commenting on world affairs, commonly in the form of his regularly published Reflections, articles offering his view on world events from U.S. foreign policy to global climate change.



### ***Jacqueline Kennedy*** (July 28, 1929 - May 19, 1994)

In June 1968 when Jacqueline's brother-in-law Robert F. Kennedy was assassinated, she came to fear for her life and that of her children, saying "If they're killing Kennedys, then my children are targets...I want to get out of this country." On October 20, 1968, she married Aristoteles Onassis, a wealthy, Greek shipping magnate, who was able to provide the privacy and security she needed for herself and her children. In January 1994, Onassis was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, a form of cancer. Two and a half months before her 65th birthday Jackie's son, John Kennedy Jr., stated, "My mother died surrounded by her friends and her family and her books, and the people and the things that she loved. She did it in her own way, and on her own terms, and we all feel lucky for that."



### ***Elvis Presley*** (January 8, 1935 - August 16, 1977)

Presley was scheduled to fly out of Memphis on the evening of August 16, 1977, to begin another tour. Instead he was discovered unresponsive on his bathroom floor. Attempts to revive him failed, and death was officially pronounced at 3:30 pm at Baptist Memorial Hospital. President Jimmy Carter issued a statement that credited Presley with having "permanently changed the face of American popular culture." Thousands of people gathered outside, his home Graceland, to view the open casket. One of Presley's cousins, Billy Mann, accepted \$78,000 to secretly photograph the corpse; the picture appeared on the cover of the National Enquirer's biggest-selling issue. Presley's funeral was held at Graceland, on Thursday, August 18. Outside the gates, a car plowed into a group of fans, killing two women and critically injuring a third. Approximately 80,000 people lined the processional route to Forest Hill Cemetery, where Presley was buried next to his mother. Following an attempt to steal the singer's body in late August, the remains of both Elvis Presley and his mother were reburied in Graceland's Meditation Garden on October 27, 1977.

**Ronald Arthur “Ronnie” Biggs** (August 8, 1929 – December 18, 2013)

Biggs, an English criminal, was known for his role in the Great Train Robbery of 1963, for his escape from prison in 1965, for living as a fugitive for 36 years and for his various publicity stunts while in exile. In 2001, he voluntarily returned to the United Kingdom and spent several years in prison, where his health rapidly declined. On August 6, 2009, Biggs was released from prison on compassionate grounds.

**Granville “Oral” Roberts** (January 24, 1918 – December 15, 2009)

Roberts was an American Pentecostal televangelist and a Christian charismatic. He founded the Oral Roberts Evangelistic Association and Oral Roberts University. As one of the best known and controversial religious leaders of the 20th century, Roberts’ ministries reached millions of followers worldwide spanning a period of over six decades. His healing ministry brought American Pentecostalism into the religious mainstream. He also pioneered TV evangelism and laid the foundations of the Prosperity Gospel and Abundant Life teachings. Oral Roberts died on December 15, 2009, at the age of 91.

**Nikita Sergeyevich Khrushchev** (April 17, 1894 – September 11, 1971)

Khrushchev led the Soviet Union during part of the Cold War. He served as First Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union from 1953 to 1964, and as Chairman of the Council of Ministers, or Premier, from 1958 to 1964. Khrushchev was responsible for the partial de-Stalinization of the Soviet Union, for backing the progress of the early Soviet space program, and for several relatively liberal reforms in areas of domestic policy. Khrushchev’s party colleagues removed him from power in 1964, replacing him with Leonid Brezhnev as First Secretary and Alexei Kosygin as Premier. Khrushchev died of a heart attack in a hospital near his home in Moscow on September 11, 1971, and is buried in the Novodevichy Cemetery in Moscow, having been denied a state funeral, and interment in the Kremlin Wall.

**Martin Luther King, Jr.** (January 15, 1929 – April 4, 1968)

In 1964, King became the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize for his work to end racial segregation and racial discrimination through civil disobedience and other nonviolent means. By the time of his death in 1968, he had refocused his efforts on ending poverty and stopping the Vietnam War. King was assassinated on April 4, 1968, in Memphis, Tennessee. He was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1977 and Congressional Gold Medal in 2004; Martin Luther King, Jr. Day was established as a U.S. Federal holiday in 1986.



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**David Ray Wilkerson** (May 19, 1931 – April 27, 2011)

Wilkerson gained national recognition after he co-authored the book, *The Cross and the Switchblade* in 1963 with John and Elizabeth Sherrill. Well known for his street ministry, He founded the addiction recovery program, Teen Challenge, and served as founding pastor of the non-denominational Times Square Church, in New York. *The Cross and the Switchblade* became a best-seller, with over 15 million copies in over thirty languages, and is included in Christianity Today's "Top 50 Books That Have Shaped Evangelicals." In the book, Wilkerson tells of the conversion of gang member, Nicky Cruz, who later became an evangelist himself and wrote the autobiographical book, Run Baby Run. In 1970, *The Cross and the Switchblade* was turned into a Hollywood movie starring Pat Boone as Wilkerson and Erik Estrada as Cruz. Wilkerson was killed in a car crash in Texas on April 27, 2011.



**Oskar Schindler** (April 28, 1908 – October 9, 1974)

Schindler and his wife fled to Argentina, and escaped prosecution by dressing in prison clothes and carrying a letter testifying to their heroic actions. By the end of the war, Schindler had spent his entire fortune on bribes and black-market purchases of supplies for his workers. Virtually destitute, he moved briefly to Regensburg and later Munich, but did not prosper in postwar Germany. In fact, he was reduced to receiving assistance from Jewish organizations. Due to a heart complaint, he was taken to the Saint Bernward Hospital in Hildesheim on September 12, 1974, where he died on October 9, 1974, at the age of 66. At the time of his death, he was surrounded by friends and family. Schindler wanted to be buried in Jerusalem, as he said, "My children are here." After a Requiem Mass, Schindler was buried at the Catholic Franciscan's Cemetery on Mount Zion, the only member of the Nazi Party to be honored in this way. A sign at the entrance to the cemetery directs visitors to "Oskar Schindler's Grave."



**The Berlin Wall** (in 1989)

A radical series of political changes occurred in the Eastern Bloc, in 1989. They were associated with the liberalization of the Eastern Bloc's authoritarian systems and the erosion of political power in the pro-Soviet governments in nearby Poland and Hungary. After several weeks of civil unrest, the East German government announced on November 9, 1989, that all GDR citizens could visit West Germany and West Berlin. Crowds of East Germans crossed barriers and climbed onto the wall. They were joined by West Germans on the other side, in a celebratory atmosphere. Over the next few weeks, an euphoric public and souvenir hunters chipped away parts of the wall; the governments later used industrial equipment to remove the rest of the infamous wall. The fall of the Berlin Wall paved the way for German reunification, which was formally concluded on October 3, 1990.



**David Johannes du Plessis** (February 7, 1905 - January 31, 1987)

A South African-born Pentecostal minister, du Plessis was considered one of the main founders of the Charismatic Movement, in which the Pentecostal experience of baptism with the Holy Spirit spread to non-Pentecostal churches worldwide. Originally shunning other movements, he became an active believer in ecumenism. He began to share the Pentecostal experience with Christians in the historic denominations, chiefly Roman Catholicism, in the 1950s. Du Plessis' main gateway into ecumenism was through his friendship with John MacKay, then President of Princeton Seminary, New Jersey. MacKay invited du Plessis to address the International Missionary Council in Willingen, West Germany, in 1952. There he earned the nickname "Mr Pentecost." He was a member of staff and Pentecostal "observer" at the World Council of Churches in 1954 and 1961, and was invited to serve as the Pentecostal representative at the Second Vatican Council.



**Fred Francis Bosworth** (January 17, 1877 – January 23, 1958)

Bosworth was an evangelist, an early religious broadcaster, and a 1920s and Depression-era Pentecostal faith healer. Later he was a bridge to mid-20th century healing revivals. He was born on a farm near Utica, Nebraska, and raised in a Methodist home. Bosworth followed Christian principles, though his church affiliation changed several times over the years. Several years after his healing from a lung disorder, he attended Alexander Dowie's church in Zion City, Illinois. There he came into Pentecost and began attending Pentecostal services. With Bosworth's Pentecostal experience in 1906, came an intense desire to preach the Gospel. He left his business pursuits and stepped out in faith for his subsistence. In approximately 1909 he moved to Texas, and in 1910 he started a church in Dallas, which was loosely affiliated with the Alliance church. He was one of the founders of the Assemblies of God in 1914 and was with them until 1918, when he had a disagreement on the initial evidence of the baptism with the Holy Spirit. He was known for his "big tent revival" and large auditorium meetings and his advocacy of faith healing, with people from all denominations attending. Starting around 1930 he began one of the early successful Gospel radio ministries.



Today he is best known for his book *Christ the Healer*, which now has over 500,000 copies in print. In 1957, when Bosworth's family thought it was his time to go, William Branham visited his bedside, prayed with him, and was greatly encouraged by his testimony. Bosworth recovered his strength and it was not until several months later, in 1958, when he eventually died, again, with an outstanding testimony. According to his son's description in the 9th edition of *Christ the Healer*, the family was gathered around Bosworth's bedside talking, laughing, and singing about three weeks after Bosworth was in bed full time. Bosworth then looked up, never saw the family members present, and began "to greet and hug people—he was enraptured... He did this for several hours," then with a smile on his face he laid back and went to sleep. (The events concerning Bosworth's passing are documented on several recorded sermons Brother Branham preached at the time). During the course of Brother Branham's ministry, there were many great men he spoke of. But there were few he spoke as highly of as Brother F. F. Bosworth.

## Life's Journey



### ***The Beatles***

The nature of the Beatles' enormous popularity, first emerged as "Beatlemania." They came to be perceived as the embodiment of ideals of the social cultural revolution of the 1960s. During their studio years, they produced what critics consider some of their finest material including the album Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band (1967). They were the best-selling band in the history of popular music, and over four decades after their break-up, their recordings are still in demand. They had the most number one albums on the UK charts and have held the top spot longer than any other musical act. According to the RIAA, they have sold more albums in the United States than any other artist. The Beatles were placed at number one on *Billboard* magazine's fiftieth-anniversary list of all-time top Hot 100 artists in 2008. They received 7 Grammy Awards from the American National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences and 15 Ivor Novello Awards from the British Academy of Songwriters, Composers and Authors. They were collectively included in *TIME* Magazine's compilation of the 20th century's 100 most influential people. John Lennon was murdered outside his home in New York City in 1980, and George Harrison died of cancer in 2001. Paul McCartney and Ringo Starr remain active.



### ***William Franklin "Billy" Graham, Jr.*** (born November 7, 1918)

Graham is an American evangelical Christian evangelist. As of April 25, 2010, when he met with Barack Obama, Graham had spent personal time with twelve United States presidents dating back to Harry S. Truman, and is number seven on Gallup's List of Most Widely Admired People of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. He is a Southern Baptist preacher who rose to celebrity status as his sermons were broadcast on radio and television. Graham has preached the Gospel, in person, to more people than any other man in history. According to his staff, as of 1993, more than 2.5 million people "stepped forward at his crusades to accept Jesus Christ as their personal Savior," many to the altar call song "Just As I Am." As of 2008, Graham's lifetime audience, including radio and television broadcasts, topped 2.2 billion.



### ***James Gordon Lindsay*** (June 18, 1906 - April 1, 1973)

A revivalist preacher, author, and founder of Christ for the Nations, Lindsay was born in Zion City, Illinois. Lindsay's parents were disciples of John Alexander Dowie, the father of healing revivalism in America. As a young boy he was influenced by John G. Lake and converted by Charles Fox Parham. At the age of eighteen he began his ministry as a traveling evangelist, conducting meetings in Assembly of God and other Pentecostal churches. In 1947 he became William Branham's manager. Soon after Lindsay's publication, *The Voice of Healing*, appeared in 1948, Branham announced his retirement from the revival circuit. The news came as quite a blow to Lindsay who had just begun the revival publication to cover Branham's meetings. Revivals and coverage of other evangelists began to appear in the magazine as it circulated nationwide.

He taught people to be missionaries to the nations, the power of the name of Jesus, and the baptism in the Spirit to the believer. In 1970, he and his wife Freda founded the Christ For The Nations Institute. At the time of this publication, it had 1200 U.S. students, and 250 international students who represented 50 different nations. Lindsay died unexpectedly on April 1, 1973, in a time of worship in the Institute.

**Joseph Mattsson-Boze** (1906 - January 25, 1989)

Mattsson-Boze was the founder of the Philadelphia Church in Chicago, Illinois, was publisher of the Christian magazine *The Herald of Faith*, and for many years he faithfully printed news of Brother Branham's meetings and portions of his messages. He also sponsored several meetings in the Chicago area. In 1961, a group of ministers in Chicago secretly challenged Brother Branham's doctrines, then gave the public a false report of their actions. Brother Mattsson-Boze stood in the prophet's defense and provided space in his magazine for Brother Branham to relate a truthful account of the event. Brother Mattsson-Boze dedicated much of his life to mission work in the African nations of Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania, and established several schools for the training of native pastors. In the message *The End-Time Evangelism*, Brother Branham praises the work of Brother Mattsson-Boze with these words: "This little friend of mine is doing a great work, and we feel to support him in every way. It's very encouraging to me to see his film, because it shows what God can do with one person that'll find His will and place." Brother Mattsson-Boze went to be with the Lord on January 25, 1989. He was 83 years old. (Taken from *Only Believe*, Vol 2 No 1.)

**Demos Shakarian** (July 21, 1913 - July 23, 1993)

A Christian businessman of Armenian origin from Los Angeles, Shakarian founded the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International (FGBMFI). His story and the story of FGBMFI is the subject of the book *The Happiest People on Earth*, written by John and Elizabeth Sherrill (*Guideposts Magazine*) and published in 1975. Demos was named after his grandfather, who left Kara Kala in Armenia for America, due to the 1855 prophecy of the Russian "Boy Prophet," Efim Gerasemovitch Klubniken, that an unspeakable tragedy was to soon come upon Armenia. He was part of a large group of Pentecostal Christian Armenians who moved to Los Angeles years before the Azusa Street Revival. FGBMFI was founded in 1952 in Los Angeles by some twenty people led by Demos Shakarian, a Californian dairy farmer. After a difficult start, it steadily grew, and after a few years branches were set up in various countries around the world. After Demos Shakarian died in 1993, his son Richard became the leader. Several FGBMFI leaders seceded and formed Business Men's Fellowship (BMF), with the support of Rose Shakarian, Demos' widow, and Steve Shakarian, Demos' son.

**Meda Marie (Broy) Branham** (April 26, 1919 - May 11, 1981)

Married to William Branham for 24 years Meda was often credited with a strength and character that aided Brother Branham's ministry, by allowing him to travel knowing she was taking care of his family. She stood with him in prayer for both family and ministry. She was with Bro. Branham at the time of his fatal accident, December 1965. After a slow four month recovery, Meda made the decision to bury William Branham in Jeffersonville, Indiana. Billy Paul Branham, Jr. is quoted describing his grandmother as, "the kind of grandma we all want to have, she used to fill me with confidence to pursue what I loved, no matter what others were thinking." She taught, "Love the Lord and use the talents he gave you and you will be happier for it." Meda Branham died, May 11, 1981, at age 62.













Catalina Mountains



*Soli deo gloria!*