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the midweek Bible study where there was a first time visitor who had been unable to be out on the Sunday.

On the Sunday after the Lectureship, the congregation had a pot-luck lunch together. The Sunday after I returned home a couple, who had been in attendance for the first time on the first Sunday I was there, were restored. He is in the USAF and the family are to be in the area until 2012. The brethren are looking forward to the lectureship in October. Members from Thamesmead in London were present for the lectureship. They had wanted it repeated in London but in the time available were not able to locate a place to meet. They are definitely planning to locate a place that will be available for October and having more time should be able to secure a place.

Also, while on this trip I was able to do some more visiting with Keith Sisman to view some old church buildings. We traveled to Tewkesbury in Gloucestershire. where we saw a building that dates back to the late 1400's where a congregation that was known as a church of Christ met in



the 1500's. This area was one that was known for its dissent from the Roman Catholic Church and although the evidence that is available today is limited it appears that these dissenters were simply seeking to practice New Testament Christianity. We also traveled again to the Lake District where we look at some old buildings in an area where there had

numerous churches of Christ in years gone by. This was a part of Sisman's efforts at finding traces of the Kingdom of God in England down through the centuries. He has been doing research number of years. Some of the research can be seen on his web site

(www.traces-of-the-kingdom.org.uk). He has recently published a book of about 620 pages under the same title in England which documents these things along with photographs and woodcut prints. This was a limited edition but I am assisting him in getting it published and distributed in the States as we believe there is a lot of interest. I find the work fascinating as it gives us a glimpse into the lives of those who sought to proclaim the Bible during a time period when such efforts brought persecution both from the secular authorities and from religious (Roman Catholic and Protestant) leaders.

The Moulton family continue to do well. Joan continues with her part time work and also boarding students who are in Cambridge for short term courses. She is well liked and respected where she works and from time to time gets overtime. She continues to travel to Birmingham to check on her mother (Joyce) who is in a nursing home. Rebecca continues to do well with her music teaching. Hannah has now been able to find a full-time position in a store in London. Please continue to keep this family in your prayers. It will be two years in June since our beloved brother, Graham Moulton, passed from this life to his eternal reward.

Again, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the men for allowing me to go to work with the brethren in England and to thank those who fulfilled my duties in my absence.

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A Defenced City

For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land. And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I *am* with thee, saith the Lord, to deliver thee (Jer. 1:18-19).

As a Christian and a preacher of the Gospel, I have always admired the prophet Jeremiah. He was God's man in a city and a nation headed for divine judgment. He suffered much, was persecuted and knew deep frustration but he never wavered from his determination to do the will of God. That was his assignment from his true King.

Likewise, brethren, God has placed us in society headed for divine judgment. The forces of ungodliness and hedonism are having a field day in America. The twin evils of religious liberalism and compromise are wrecking havoc among the churches of Christ. At times it may seem overwhelming but we must remain "Faithful and True" (Rev. 19:11).

Like the prophet of 2,600 years ago, we must be "a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls" against the forces of darkness in our land with love in our hearts and malice toward none. We must continue to proclaim the Truth and live it. Not an easy task among an unbelieving people! Like Jeremiah, we must realize who we serve and His promise to us, "and, lo, I am with you always, *even* unto the end of the world" (Mat. 28:20).

Roelf Ruffner, Lawrence, KS

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Unlike my trip in October that ended two days later than planned, my trip this time was uneventful in both directions and I arrived home safely about 10.00 p.m. on March 26. I was originally booked to leave Augusta on a flight at 3.32 p.m. which would have put me into Atlanta with less than an hour to make my London flight. I decided to get to the airport early and see if I could get on an earlier flight. As it was, when I went to the gate, there was a flight that had been delayed and I was fortunate to be able to get a seat on that flight and arrived in Atlanta about 1.15 p.m. giving good time to get my connecting flight.

I had an on time arrival at London's Gatwick airport just before 7.00 a.m. local time on Tuesday March 9 and after having cleared immigration and customs and picked up my rental car, I was on the road heading towards Cambridgeshire and the Sisman home until it was time to drive to Cambridge for study. This was the first time I had Cambridge City church which began in November with the merger of the Ramsey churches. The merger has gone well and the new congregation is very active. Coming together in the city of Cambridge has widened the opportunities for growth. They have had a number of visitors since the work began and a couple have become quite regular in attendance. They had also come into contact with a member of the church from Ghana who is studying at Cambridge in the medical field. Daniel Owassu has placed membership with the congregation and is active in the work. After the evening meeting I went home with the Shouey family to the USAF base at RAF Lakenheath. I spent most of my nights with them and again appreciated their hospitality. The picture shows those who were in attendance the first Sunday that the Cambridge City church met together.



I was in the area for almost three weeks. During that time I taught the Bible study at Cambridge each Tuesday night and taught the Bible study and preached both of the Sundays I was in England. Additionally, the Sisman's still have a class in their home in Ramsey for young people on Wednesday evenings and I spoke each of the three Wednesdays that I was there. In addition I spent time with some of the families. I also went with Joan and Rebecca Moulton to Birmingham to visit with Joyce, Joan's mother who is in a nursing home. Sadly she suffers from dementia and has great difficulty with short term memory but her long term memory is good. Later she remained Joan that Linda and I were to celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary this year. It is interesting that she realized this as we did not know her when we were married in June of 1970 at Aylesbury in England. However, she had at sometime found out when we were married and was able to recall it.

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NEWS AND NOTES

Keep in your prayers the following: Pam Gossett, Lavonne McClish, Linda Chumbley, Maomi Aaron's sister, Leann Rogers, who is having health problems, and Lanny Niver together with his daughter and son, and Tim Smith.

It was good to see Adrienne Farmer out Sunday after having had stints put in on March 24. Congratulations are in order for Will Aaron and Holly Albrecht who recently announced their engagement. They have set a wedding date in May 2011.

Jean Peebles and Donna Wilkes were sick and unable to be out last Sunday.

Kathy Treadway is have back problems. She is doing some better but is going back ton the doctor tomorrow.

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The highlight of the visit, as far as the work was concerned, was the Lectureship that was held in Cambridge on March 20. The overall theme was Baptism. There were a total of six lessons. Three were presented by members from Cambridge and I presented the other three. The topics covered were The pagan origin of infant baptism leading to baptism in the Catholic Church and Reformation (Keith Sisman), When I was an Anglican (Ken Chumbley), Biblical Baptism – Immersion (Matt Shouey), Biblical Baptism – For The Remission of Sins (Keith Sisman), Biblical Baptism – For Entrance into the Church (Ken Chumbley) and The Thief on the Cross (Ken Chumbley). Although our attendance was not as great as we would have liked we did have visitors some from the local community and some from other congregations. The time of fellowship with other Christians was vitally important as well as the teaching that was done. The church had put forth much effort in advertising so that the community knew what was to be discussed.

One young man, Thomas Akoensi, a student from Ghana, who had been attending regularly with Daniel Owassu, was at the lectureship and because of his background as an Anglican became concerned as to whether he had been scripturally baptized. He spoke with Daniel and then Tuesday evening, he spoke with Matt Shouey before Bible study. As a result, Rebecca Moulton drove Matt and Thomas to Grafham Water, a man-made lake about an half hour away so that Thomas could be immersed for the remission of sins (efforts were made to find a place more locally (swimming pool) but to no avail. The rest of us stayed for

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