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Matthew Chapter 10

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Because He Lives

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No greater Power hath the world known except the power of the God almighty.

There is a spiritual warfare that is going on right now. (Eph. 6:13) Our battle is not with flesh and blood-but with spiritual powers and principalities. For it's through the power of God that every man must believe.

The God that we serve is the same here in the United States as He is in other countries throughout the world. God is real. Yes! O'yes He is! We, as christians, have to stand together and shout out our christian beliefs, Don't just sit there and be satisfied with not knowing or being satisfied with our own piousness.

Jesus was crucified, He died, He was buried and He rose. According to the actions of many christians, it seems that Christ never rose. Are you guilty of leaving Christ in the grave? Let Him rise in you life, today. Everyone who has accepted Christ as their personal Savior...close your eyes and your mind to the worldly things and confess your sins to the Lord. Sinners, repent-for the kingdom of God is at hand. The Christ that we serve is alive and well.

Scientists have tried to figure out God's plan mathematically, through the study of the stars and by even going to head, spat upon and then nailed to a cross

have to do is believe. All though God created all that we see, He lives in hearts of men and women, boys an girls who have accepted Him.

If any man be in Christ he is a new creature. Old things are passed away and behold all things hall become brand new. Many who would like to become like Christ but feel that they are filthy, unworthy and inadequate can't change all by themselves. You must accept the risen Christ. Confess your sins and believe. Don't you know that if we had everything together, God would not have had to send His only begotten son, Christ, to dwell among us and then die on that cruel cross. We needed saving and God, in His infinite wisdom, recognized it.

Christ came to save all those who are lost. He didn't come pointing an accusing finger. He didn't run around talking about those whose lives weren't put together in the right way, either. God had compassion on man. He saw that he was weak and was susceptible to the forces of evil; so, He sent His son-Jesus Christ to live among us. He witnessed and experienced the pull and the force that evil has on man, in the flesh. He took it upon Himself to be scourged, beaten, have a crown of thorns placed on his

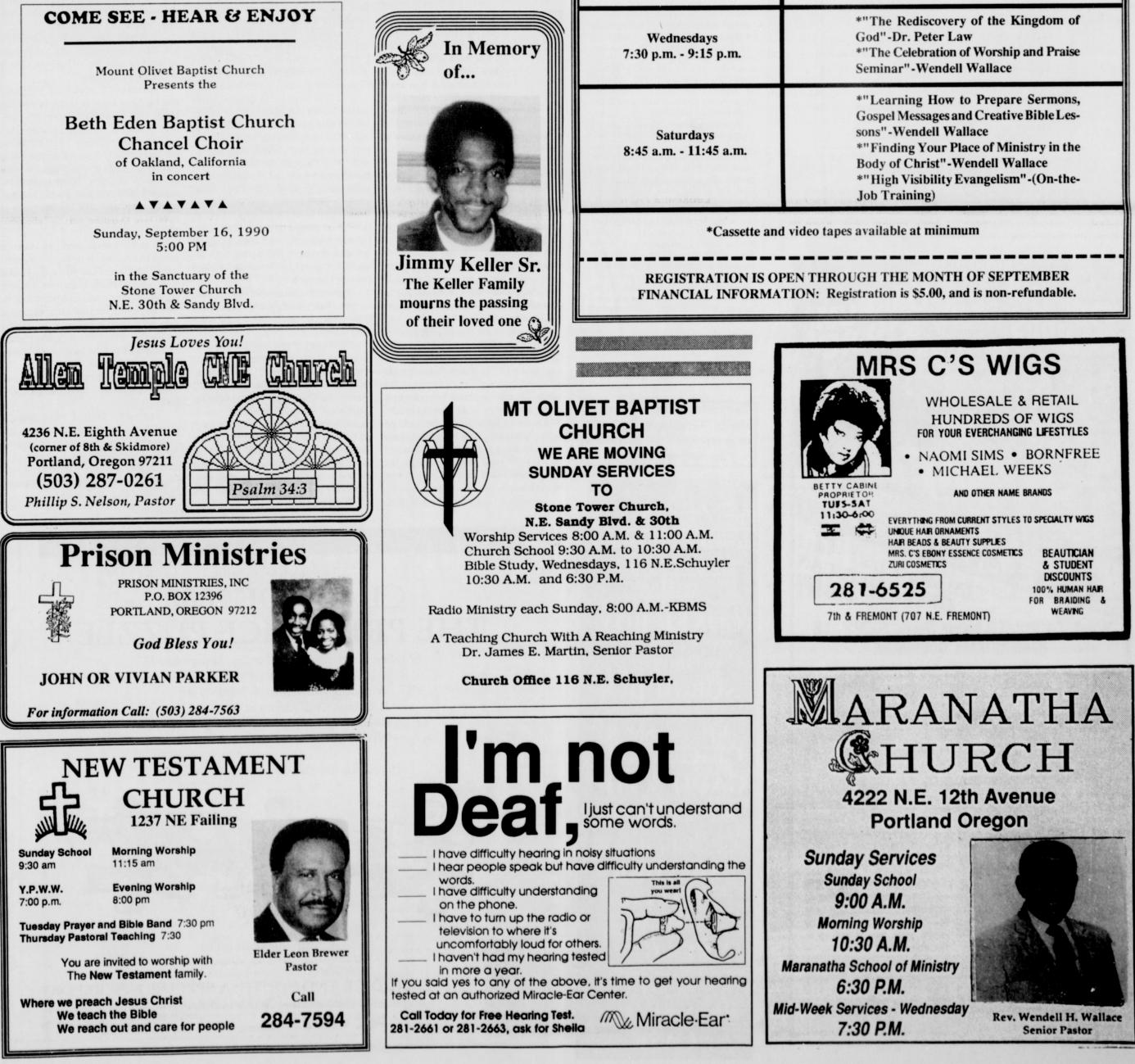
the Holy Land and digging up artifacts. just for you and me. We, who are not The Holy scripture says that all that we even worthy to step on the same ground that He has walked on...[John 6:37-40]. He died in our place. When He was nailed to the cross, the power of sin was nailed there too. When He rose from the grave, He had all power in His hands. He also held the keys to the gates of hell.

We have all sinned and fallen short of God's glory. So, no one person can claim to be so clean and so worthy that he or she is better than everyone.

In this state alone, crime is running ramped because Oregon holds the record for having the most unchurched people in the nation. Those persons who claim to be children of the most high God should make it a practice to reach out to the unsaved and the unchurched. Our duty, as christians, is to "...go tell. Go spread the news." We should be busy making disciples wherever we go. Don't be afraid to witness. Don't be afraid to tell others about what God has done in your life.

Does Jesus reign in your life? If He does not, make it a point to accept Himright now.

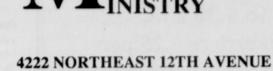
Because He lives I can face tomorrow. Because He lives all my fears are gone. Because He lives-I know who holds my future. My life is worth living just because He lives. What about you?



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PERIOD	SUBJECT(S)*
Sundays 6:30 p.m 8:30 p.m.	*Dr. Peter Law-Guest teacher *"The Christ in You Disciplinary Semi- nar"-Wendell Wallace, Teacher
Mondays 7:30 p.m 9:15 p.m.	*"The Rediscovery of the Kingdom of God"-Dr. Peter Law *"Spiritual Gifts in the Body of Christ Today"-Wendell Wallace
Tuesdays 7:30 p.m 9:15 p.m.	*"The Rediscovery of the Kingdom of God"-Dr. Peter Law *"A United Church for a Divided World"- Wendell Wallace
Wednesdays 7:30 p.m 9:15 p.m.	*"The Rediscovery of the Kingdom of God"-Dr. Peter Law *"The Celebration of Worship and Praise Seminar"-Wendell Wallace
Saturdays 8:45 a.m 11:45 a.m.	*"Learning How to Prepare Sermons, Gospel Messages and Creative Bible Les- sons"-Wendell Wallace *"Finding Your Place of Ministry in the Body of Christ"-Wendell Wallace *"High Visibility Evangelism"-(On-the- Job Training)

