

RELIGION

New Church To Be Constructed



Sketch of the new church to be constructed later this year on the corners of North Emerson and North Michigan.

Bishop A. A. Wells, Ph.D., Founder and Senior Pastor of Emmanuel Temple Church announced plans at the official new church unveiling held May 11th that a new church will be constructed on the corners of North Emerson and North Michigan in Portland. The

new facility will be a 30,928 square foot sanctuary at a cost of approximately \$1,300,000.

Dr. Wells established the current church, located at 1032 North Sumner, in 1965. The new church architect, Mr. Larry Abell, advised that the new church will be a state of

the art building with a capacity to hold 1,200 people.

New construction, which will commence in late 1996, will be under the direction Craftsmen For Christ Construction company whose specialty is building churches throughout the U.S.

ALTERNATIVES

Defining The Age (Times) "Apocalyptic Hope"

BY MARGARET ISAACS

All around us, we see and feel a sense of despair, a disbelief in the future of mankind, a suffering of the masses that surpasses the starvations and homelessness of the great depression. Disease is rampant; drugs are taking a toll which is severe among young men and women; babes citizen is hard to bear. Murders have become so prevalent, that they seem second nature; children killing children, mothers slaying their young, children killing parents and etc. Wars all over this world; earthquakes, famine, and this is just the beginning of the evil to come. These are the characteristics of Jewish-Christian apocalyptic. Those who believe God's Words recognize these signs as leading to a certain climatic moment. Those who believe in a Divine Being as the ruler of all things, know that the tragic events of human history must have been foreordained by him, and that there is a divine plan through which these horrors of history and the present time will reach a climax, and things will change utterly and forever. If hereby and therein lies the hope of those who believe and this hope sustains and maintains human sanity.

Mark 13: 7-8, 24-25: We have yet to see the sun darkened, and the moon fail to give light, and the stars fall from heaven, and the powers of heaven shaken. When this happens, those with hope, will not be alarmed,

for then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. He will send out the angels, and gather his Elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. Mark 13:26-27.

Those people who deny God, heaven, Holy spirit and all forms of Christian religion, offer no proven hope, no alternative to despair, no key to the future of mankind. They say: "If you are deceased, kill yourself or allow someone else to take your life"; They say: "If you kill your parents, neighbors, children or friends, we will look into your childhood for reasons and causes for this behavior, and forgive and not punish". They say: "there is no God but man himself"; a poor god, certainly, who has no power to give life or to heal a diseased body, but a god, nonetheless. They hate the idea of a Supreme Being, but again offer no alternative hope.

Despite the variety of the forms of expression, the hope itself is constant for a climatic series of events that will lead to the final, eschatological intervention of God into human history, directly or through intermediary figures.

If God is expunged from our homes, our schools, our government and other phases of living, where then does our hope lie? Where then will survival attributes be taught? How

will our children develop characteristics necessary for daily communication with others? In this present time, those who live in hope of a return of the Creator, God, will weep and wail while this world rejoices; you will sorrow now, but your sorrow will turn to joy. You are sad now, but God will return and your hearts will be filled with joy, and that joy no one shall take from you. anything you ask of Father God, he will grant in the name of Jesus. Listen, the time will come...in fact it has come already...when believers will be scattered, each going his own way and leaving God alone. But...those with hope in God will find peace in him. In the world you will have trouble, but be brave, saith the Lord, I have conquered the world. John 16, John 17.

Avoid those who are slaves of their own appetites, confusing the simple-minded with their arguments. Keep your fidelity to Christ. Be wise in what is good and innocent of what is bad.

The God of peace will soon crush Satan beneath our feet. Grace, the gift of our Lord Jesus Christ, will be with you. All This Is What Scripture Has Predicted And It Is All part of 'The Way' The Eternal God Wants Things To Be: So Saith The Lord In His Word. He Alone Is Wisdom; Give Glory Therefore To Him Through Jesus Christ For Ever And Ever. Amen. Romans 16:25; 16:27.

March For Jesus

The 1996 Global March for Jesus will take place on Saturday, May 25th in the hub of our own Metroplex, as well as in thousands of cities worldwide. Jesus will be lifted up in extravagant praise, worship and prayer for twenty-four hours, by millions of people around the world.

Ten million participated from 178 nations in the last global march and more are expected this year as we draw nearer to the 2,000th birthday of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The goal of the March For Jesus is to call forth Christian churches locally, nationally, and globally from every tongue, tribe, and nation to pray for their communities. Locally, for the last two years, representatives from nearly every ethnic group in the Portland Metroplex have participated. Hundreds of churches have responded to this celebration of praise and prayer

which exemplifies both diversity and the unity in the body of Christ in this region.

As we come together this year, we will again ask God's grace, peace, safety, and prosperity to permeate our region. We will gather at Pioneer Square afterwards to pray for our city and region.

Assembly will begin at 9:00 A.M. West Portland and Clark County will assemble off West Burnside near Park and Ankeny.

East Portland, and all others, will assemble between S. W. 3rd and S.W. 5th near Ankeny.

The March will begin at 10:30 A.M. with both groups coming towards Broadway where we will merge and proceed south to City Hall and back to Pioneer Square on S.W. 4th.

For more information, contact the March For Jesus office, 13231 SE Sunnyside Road, Clackamas. Phone: 698-555 or 698-2466.

How To Survive The Stresses Of The Last Days

We are living in the most demanding period in all human history. Rarely do we find people at home. Since we desire all to have life in a peaceful new world we are writing to all the businesses in our area.

The New York Times of January 26, 1995 stated "In no previous age have people shown so great an aptitude and appetite for killing millions of other people for reasons of race, religion or class." Billions are swept along with the greedy and violent spirit of the world. As a result many of us feel discouraged or weighted down on occasion.

We can readily see the attitudes mentioned at Second Timothy chapter 3 verses one to five in the home, at the work place at our place of worship. Who can deny that these are critical times hard to deal with. Daily we come in contact with people who are lovers of self, lovers of money, lovers of pleasure rather than God, disloyal, no natural affection. Affection is often missing in the very environment in which it should flourish—the home.

Reports of abusive treatment of marriage mates, children, and even the elderly parents have become disturbingly common. Too many lack human sympathy and feeling.

Jesus tells us to take courage and do not be anxious over anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication, along with thanksgiving let your petition be made known to God and the peace of God that excels all thought will guard your hearts and mental powers by means of Christ Jesus. Philippians chapter four verses six and seven. John chapter fourteen verse twenty-seven.

In order to survive these last days we must keep in mind that All These problems are only temporary. It is Gods will that you enjoy lasting happiness under the best conditions in wonderful surroundings.

This is no mere dream, for God actually offers you the key to such a happy future. That key is knowledge. John chapter seventeen verse three.

Notice the Bibles promise of a restored life to Paradise!

1. Sickness, Old Age And Death

Will No Longer Exist. Isaiah chapter thirty-five verses five and six. Revelation chapter twenty one verses three and four.

2. Crime, Violence And Wickedness Will Be Gone Forever. Psalms chapter thirty-seven verses nine to eleven. Proverbs chapter two verse twenty-two.

3. Peace Will Prevail Earth Wide. Psalms chapter forty six verse nine. Psalms chapter seventy-two verse seven.

4. Housing Will Be Secure And Work Satisfying. Isaiah chapter sixty-five verse twenty-one to twenty-three.

5. Healthful Food Will Be Avail-

able In Abundance. Psalms chapter seventy-two verse sixteen. Psalms chapter sixty-seven verse six.

6. Everlasting Life On A Paradise Earth Will Be Delightful. Psalms chapter thirty-seven verse twenty-nine. Isaiah chapter thirty-five verse one.

In order to live in paradise we must have the mark of survival rather than the mark of the wild beast. Ezekiel chapter nine verse four. Revelation chapter nineteen verse twenty. To learn more visit us Sundays 1:30 to 3:30 Tuesdays 7:30 to 9:15 at 6836 N.E. 7th between Dekum and Bryant or ask any of Jehovahs Witnesses.

Nita J. Robinson

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