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A WARNING TO ALL PEOPLE

ON THE

SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

REVELATIONS

ON THE

BUILDING OF THE TEMPLE

AND INSTRUCTION TO THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

THE TIME IS AT HAND

THE LORD HAS SPOKEN AND REVEALED HIS PURPOSE BY THE MOUTH OF HIS SERVANT "JOHN" (THE BAPTIST) "And Jesus answered and said unto them, 'Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things.' "

"…Then the disciples understood that he spoke unto them of John the Baptist." (Matthew 17:11-13)
"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me; and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in; behold he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts." (Malachi 3:1)

PREFACE

JOHN THE BAPTIST

(Resurrected)

He has come as Christ said he would, “Elias truly shall first come and restore all things.” (Matthew 17:11)
“Surely the Lord God will do nothing but he revealeth his secrets unto his servants, the prophets.” (Amos 3:7)
“And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth and to every nation and kindred and tongue and people.” (Revelation 14:6)

CHRIST IS COMING TO EARTH AGAIN

“This same Jesus which is taken up from you into heaven shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.” (Acts 1:11)
Christ assured his disciples that he would return. (Matthew 24)
This coming must be preceded by the Messenger of the Covenant. (Malachi 3:1)
HEARKEN to the WARNING as delivered by this messenger as he came in fulfillment of the above promises.

On February 4, 1927, and on numerous subsequent occasions, John the Baptist appeared in the form and person of a resurrected being to one, Otto Fetting of Port Huron, Michigan.

The story of the visits of the heavenly messenger is told in the following pages in the words of a humble, unlearned, God-fearing man who expressed himself thus: “I hope whosoever shall read these messages may make it a matter of prayer and fasting in humility before God that they may know for themselves that God has again spoken and revealed his mind and will from heaven.” (Twelfth Message)

Otto Fetting passed to the beyond with the coming of the Thirtieth Message in January, 1933, and until October, 1937, the Church waited and prayed for the return of the Messenger.

In this book is contained the subsequent visits of this heavenly being to one, W. A. Draves, of Nucla, Colorado.

W. A. Draves continued to be visited by the Lord's Messenger until his death on June 27, 1994. In total he received 90 additional messages from the Lord's servant, the resurrected John the Baptist. He remained faithful to his trust as the Lord's servant and scribe until his death in 1994.

After the death of W. A. Draves the people of the Lord again prayed and waited on the Lord for the return of the Messenger as the Messenger had promised that he would continue to come until the work was finished. Then on September 29, 2018, after waiting 24 years, the Lord again sent His messenger to Apostle Norman D. Lyles with the 121st Message while he was on a missionary trip to East Africa. This book contains the subsequent visits of the Lord's Messenger to Norman D. Lyles of Grand Junction, Colorado.

Read it with care and with prayer; and remember that “if any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God that giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not…but let him ask in faith.” (James 1)

ARTICLES OF FAITH AND PRACTICE

1 We believe in God the Eternal Father[1], who only is Supreme; Creator of the universe; Ruler and Judge of all; unchangeable and without respect of persons.

2 We believe in Jesus Christ the manifestation of God in flesh[2], who lived, suffered, and died for all mankind; whom we own as our only Leader, Witness and Commander.

3 We believe in the Holy Ghost, the Spirit of Truth, the Comforter, which searcheth the deep things of God, brings to our minds things which are past, reveals things to come, and is the medium by which we receive the revelation of Jesus Christ[3].

4 We believe that men will be punished for their own sins and not for Adam's transgression, and that as a consequence of the atonement of Christ "all little children are alive in Christ, and also all they that are without the law. For the power of redemption cometh on all they that have no law; wherefore, he that is not condemned, or he that is under no condemnation, cannot repent, and unto such, baptism availeth nothing[4]." (Moroni 8:25, 26)

5 We believe that through the atonement of Christ all men may be saved by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the

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[1] Gen. 1:1; Exodus 3:5, 13-16; John 1:1-5;
[2] Is. 7:14; Matt. 1:23; Is. 9:6-7; Col. 1:14-19; Mosiah 15:1-8; John 1:1-14; John 6:38; John 7:23; John 14:6-14;
[3] John 14:16-26; John 15:26-27; John 16:7-14; Romans 8:26-27;
[4] Gen. 3:1-19; Mess. 1:6-8; 2 Chron. 25:4; Ps. 32:1,2,5; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; Moroni 8:8-20; Matt. 18:3-6;

gospel; viz.: Faith in God and in the Lord Jesus Christ; Repentance and Baptism by immersion for the remission of sins; Laying on of Hands for:
(a) Ordination; (b) Blessing of children; (c) Confirmation and the gift of the Holy Ghost (Acts 8:17); (d) Healing of the sick[5].

6 We believe in the literal second coming and millennial reign of Jesus Christ; in the Resurrection of the dead, and in Eternal Judgment; that men will be rewarded or punished according to the good or evil they may have done[6].

7 We believe in the powers and gifts of the everlasting gospel[7]; viz.: the word of wisdom; the word of knowledge; the gift of faith; the gift of healing; working of miracles; prophecy; discerning of spirits; divers kinds of tongues; interpretation of tongues.

8 We believe the fruits of the Spirit[8] to be love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness and temperance.

9 We believe that in the Bible is contained the word of God; that The Record of the Nephites is an added witness for Christ, and that these contain the fullness of the gospel[9].

10 We believe in the principle of continuous revelation; that the canon of scripture is not full, that God inspires men in

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[5] Heb. 6:1-6; Matt. 4:17; John 3:2-8; 1 John 5:1-5; 1 John 1:6-10; 1 John 2:1-6; Acts 18:24-28; Acts 19:1-7;
[6] Rev. 20:1-15; Rev. 19:11-20; Jude 1:14-15; 2 Peter 2:9; 2 Cor. 5:10; Ecc. 12:13,14;
[7] 2 Cor. 12:1-11;
[8] Gal. 5:22-23; Eph. 5:7-11; Col. 3:12-17; James 3:17-18;
[9] Ez. 37:15-21;

every age and among all people, and that he speaks when, where, and through whom he may choose.

11 We believe that where there are six or more regularly baptized members, one of whom is an elder, there the Church exists with full power of church extension when acting in harmony with the law of God[10].

12 We believe that a man must be called of God by revelation, and ordained by those having authority, to enable him to preach the gospel and administer the ordinances thereof[11].

13 We believe in the same church organization as existed in the time of Christ and his apostles[12]. The highest office in the Church is that of an apostle, of whom there are twelve, who constitute special witnesses for Jesus Christ. They have the missionary supervision and the general watchcare of all the churches.

14 The primary function of the general church, of which each local church is a component part, is missionary and the building up and extension of the Kingdom of God in all the world[13].

15 We believe that local churches should govern their own affairs and that general church officials should not dominate or interfere therewith[14]. On invitation such general officers may, with propriety, give counsel and assistance. Local

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[10] Matt. 18:20; Romans 10:11-17; 1 Tim. 4:1-3,6-13; 2 Tim. 2:14-19; 2 Tim. 3:1-8;
[11] Eph. 5:11-16; Titus 1:5; Acts 14:22-23;
[12] Eph. 2:19-22; Eph. 4:1-7,11-16;
[13] Matt. 28:16-20; Matt. 10:1-23; Rev. 1:5-6;
[14] Eph. 1:22-23; Col. 1:12-18;

congregations are subject to the Articles of Faith and Practice and must be governed thereby.

16 We believe the Church of Christ comprehends the true brotherhood of man where each esteems his brother as himself[15] and wherein the divine command to "love your neighbor as yourself"' is demonstrated by the prevalence of social equality.

17 We believe that all men are stewards under God and answerable to him not only for the distribution of accumulated wealth, but for the manner in which such wealth is secured. The primary purpose of stewardship is not the increase of church revenue or the mere contribution of money by those who have to those who have not, but to bring men to a realization of the common fatherhood and the universal brotherhood of man in all the affairs and expressions of life, and to maintain such social adjustments that each may enjoy the bounty and gifts of God, and be free to exercise his talents and ability to enrich the life of all.

18 We believe that men should labor for their own support and that of their dependents. Ministers of the gospel are not absolved from this responsibility, but when chosen or appointed by the Church to devote their entire time to missionary work, their families are to be provided for out of the general church fund[16]. The admonition of Christ that the ministry should not provide purse or script for their journey, but go trusting in God and the people, is applicable.

19 We believe that the temporal affairs of the general

[15] Matt. 19:19; Matt. 22:36-40; Mark 12:28-38; John 15:9-12;
[16] Matt. 10; Luke 10:2-14; Luke 6:20-25; 2 Cor. 11:6-9; Matt. 6:19-24; John 6:27;

church are to be administered by the general bishopric under the supervision and direction of the general conferences of the Church[17]. The temporal affairs of the local churches shall be administered by local bishops under the supervision and direction of the local congregations.

20 We believe that marriage is ordained of God, and that the law of God provides but for one companion in wedlock for either man or woman. In case of a breach of this covenant the innocent one may remarry[18].

21 We are opposed to war. Men are not justified in taking up arms against their fellows except as a last resort in defense of their lives and to preserve their liberty.

22 We believe in the literal gathering of Israel, and in the restoration of the ten lost tribes[19].

23 We believe a temple will be built in this generation, in Independence, Missouri, wherein Christ will reveal himself and endow his servants whom he chooses with power to preach the gospel in all the world to every kindred, tongue, and people[20], that the promise of God to Israel may be fulfilled.

24 We believe that a New Jerusalem shall be built upon this land "unto the remnant of the seed of Joseph." (Ether 6: 6-8; 3 Nephi 10: 1-4), which city shall be built, beginning at the temple lot[21].

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[17] Mess. 3:7; Mess. 26:6; Mess. 127:4,6; Acts 6:1-7;
[18] Gen. 2:21-25; Gen. 3:20-24; Gen. 4:25-26;
[19] Ezekiel 37:15-28
[20] Mal. 3:1; Hagg. 2:6-9; Rev. 20:9; Mess. 5:5; Mess. 6:1;
[21] Rev. 21:2-22;

25 We believe that ministry and membership should abstain from the use of tobacco, intoxicating liquors and narcotics, and should not affiliate with any society which administers oaths or covenants in conflict with the law of God, or which interfere with their duties as freemen and citizens.

Independence,Mo.
October 9, 1929

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I make this solemn declaration before God this day, God being my witness, and I expect some day to stand before the judgment bar to answer for this statement.

The manifestations and words of the visits of the Messenger are true. I have seen him from time to time. I heard his voice, I've seen his face, I saw the light. I felt his hand on my head, and the slap on my shoulder. I was enwrapped in that wonderful heavenly and divine power, and the words that I have given you are not my words, but the words God sent by John the Baptist.

I want to make this statement, so that everyone may know that this is true; it matters little what will become of me hereafter, but I cannot, nor will not, deny the things that I have seen and heard from the heavenly messenger as long as I have my right mind, and God gives me life and his grace to endure here on earth.

Others may make statements about me but I want this to be understood that this statement is true. And I shall abide by the advice and instructions given by the Messenger regardless of what men may say.

(Signed) Otto Fetting

First Message

A messenger appeared to me February 4, 1927, at my home, 801 Tenth Street, Port Huron, Michigan, at 5:30 a.m.

I got up at 5 a.m., fixed the furnace, washed and sat down in an easy rocker to wait for the fire to start up good so I could shut off the furnace. I had turned off the light but the streetlight shining through the front door made it somewhat light in the room.

I was not thinking about the Church at all at the time, but was about to doze a little when all at once someone gave me a slap on my shoulder. He slapped me real hard and I looked up and saw the form of a man standing just a little way from me in the light of the door. He was about six feet three inches, very fine built and about thirty or thirty-five years of age. His hair was down to his coat collar. He had a beard. His voice was soft and his looks mild but much in earnest. – Otto Fetting.

1 He said, "Don't change the Articles of Faith and Practice, because the Lord inspired the men that wrote them." He said, "See to it that they are not changed."

2 Then he said, "The revelation that was given for the building of the temple[1] was true and the temple soon will be started."

3 He said, "Three more men will be placed in the twelve this spring, and that they were much needed in the quorum. These men will be chosen at the spring conference."

4 He said, "The temple will be built, if not by the people in charge, the Lord will raise up a people that will build it."

5 He said, "The coming of Christ is near at hand and Christ will not delay his coming because of the unfaithfulness of the people."

6 He said, "The blood of this generation will be required of all those that profess the name of Christ."

7 He said, "He would not hold us responsible for the mistakes of others but would require us to be true to our calling and tell the truth."

8 He said, "I will hold others responsible for their work in their day."

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[1] Malachi 3:1

9 He said, “Fear not, while things may look dark to you now, God would overrule and the future would be brighter.”

10 Then he said, “There is Thomas E. Barton, Joseph H. Camp, and Alma O. Frisby. They are good men.” But he did not say that they should be placed in the quorum of twelve; just said, “They are good men.”

11 Now this is the essence of what he told me. He further said, “Be humble; if you want your work accepted of men and God, it will be by the spirit of humility. You will win favor with God and man and your success is in telling the truth in humility.”

12 I sat down and wrote it soon after the Messenger left and this is as near correct as I can give it. I could see the form of a man, I heard his voice, I felt the slap on my shoulder and I felt his influence in the room in my presence.

Second Message

The messenger who appeared to me February 4 was with me again from a little after 5 a.m. until 6 a.m., March 4, 1927.

On March 4 I awoke just in time to hear the clock strike five. I thought of getting up but thought I would just rest a few minutes longer, when all at once my room became somewhat light. I looked at the window thinking that perhaps our neighbors were getting up when all at once I saw the same messenger at my bed. I had raised up in bed to look out of the window and remained in that position until he left. This is what he said: . – Otto Fetting

1 “I am the man[1] sent from God and my name is John. I am the Messenger[2] to prepare the way. I am come again that in the mouth of two or three witnesses[3] all things shall be established. When I was here to see you the last time I did not give you my name but what I told you about

[1] John 1:6
[22] Malachi 3:1; Matt. 11:10; III Nephi 24:1
[3] Matt. 18:16; John 8:7

the Church is true and much more shall be revealed to you from time to time. Come with me and I will show you a vision."

2 In a few moments we were standing on the temple lot right in the middle of the lot and then the whole lot was raised up so I could see, I thought, the whole world. All at once I saw a woman weeping. Her clothes were torn. She was bleeding. Her face looked pale and worn, and she said, "Look!" and all around the temple lot was a smooth level piece of land stretched out for a long way. It was made up of territory from all the lands and on it were people standing, sober looking, worried. She said, "Oh, my children, come unto me that I may embrace you. I love you and I want you to come to me." They paid no attention to her. She wept and was grieved.

3 She said, "Look beyond!" I looked beyond and could see a great valley all around this level land. It was fog and mist and I could see rushing torrents of rivers and could hear all kinds of yelling and noise. She said, "Oh, some of my children are down there, they are in danger and some will be lost." She wept again, then this vision disappeared.

4 The Messenger said, "Come with me and I will show you another vision." He took me to the northeast corner of the temple lot and he said, "Look!" Here I could see men coming with their tools, going to the middle of the temple lot laying their tools down. Some put on mason's clothes; others carpenter's aprons; but all were solemn and quiet, and slowly they started to work on the temple.

5 The work started very slowly but it began to grow. Then I could see people come from every direction, but when they got to the temple lot they would take off their hats, walk over to where they were at work, and a man stood there with a treasury, and they would put something in and walk away, but would keep their hats off until they were off the temple lot.

6 They were all colors and kinds, old and young, but they all acted alike.

7 Then the Messenger said, "Look!" and I looked up and saw the ground had also raised and I could see the woman again but this time in a better dress. She looked up with a smile, her clothes were white, her hat was very fine and becoming in the shape of a crown[4] with twelve bright stars. Her children were coming to her from every clime, even from the valley. The mist had raised. They were slowly building on the temple. To the

[4] Rev. 12:1

west, the east, north and the south, in the sky stood the figures in large letters "1929."

8 The Messenger said, "I have shown you the vision and will come and see you again," and he left. I was still sitting up in bed and the clock struck 6 a.m.

Third Message

Received at Port Huron, Michigan, June 12, 1927.
At 12:30 I was awakened from my sleep by the same messenger that appeared to me on February 4 and March 4. He placed his hand on my shoulder and said: . – Otto Fetting

1 "Awake and write the message that I will give you, for this is a day of which Christ spoke, a time of haste, when much must be done.

2 The instruction is sent[1]: to the wise, a warning; to the sleeper, an awakening; to the wicked, destruction; but to the people of the Lord, a message that Christ's coming is near at hand.

3 Behold the Church has slept and slumbered but now let the wise trim their lamps, that the Spirit of God may be as oil to their lamps, for behold, the Bridegroom is coming. Prepare ye the way for his coming. Behold, the temple must be built.

4 The gospel[2] must be preached, the cry must go out, the Lord's coming is near. Behold this is a day when the world with its greed for wealth and pleasure must be warned[3] as in the days of Noah. Pride and vanity have filled the hearts of men, and the law of the Lord is forgotten.

5 The Lord sent me to prophesy, for thus saith the Lord of Hosts: 'I have sent my messenger to you. In the time of trouble when many of the hearts of my children were sad, their hope was fading away, their faith

[1] Matt. 25:1-13
[2] Matt. 25:14; Revelation 14:6; Revelation 22:6
[3] Matt. 24:37-39; II Peter 2:5

was tried, they looked to and fro for the old paths[4]; in the anguish and distress of their souls I heard their cry.

6 That my Church and my people may again receive light and direction to carry on my work, let those that I have chosen to lead my people to labor in the harvest, make haste that nothing may be lost, for great is the harvest, and laborers are but few. Let those of the twelve release themselves from those things that are now hindering them from taking the field, as soon as they can, that my work may go on without delay. Let mine elders also labor in the field wherever they can, for joy shall come by sacrifice, and peace and blessings to all those that will serve me.

7 Let those that I have chosen to look after the poor and needy and to prepare the ways and means for a real Zion[5], labor also in the field that they may see the needs of my people, for behold this is the sifting time when much must be done. It will be by faith and humility and love that these things must be done.

8 By my Spirit I will feel after the honest in heart and those that hear you will hear me, and those that reject you reject me also, and they shall sleep[6] on until the Bridegroom comes, but will not have oil in their lamps.

9 Go in faith, your mission is one of love. Remember, I have called you to be saviors of men. Be true to your calling and my Spirit will direct you and I will manifest myself to you and will send my messengers in times of need. My Spirit shall fill your souls with joy. The way will be opened for you. Amen.' "

10 The Messenger was with me until 1:15 a.m. or forty-five minutes. He told me some things that were personal to my own business which I have not given here. He also told me that his name was John, and that his work was not finished but that he would come as he would be sent from time to time of the Lord, to direct in the affairs of the Church.

11 I was wide awake and got up at once and dressed and wrote part, when all at once the Spirit left me and I could not write any more and my mind became a blank. I thought of going back to bed. I said, "Lord, I cannot write this message unless you give it to me by your Spirit;" when all at once the same messenger stood by my side and looked over my shoulder and said, "Write." Then the light came to me and I could write

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[4] Jeremiah 6:16
[5] I Nephi 13:37
[6] III Nephi 28:34,35

it just as it was given to me. I think everything he told me is given here except what he told me about my personal affairs.

Fourth Message

The Messenger came to me at my home at 801 Tenth Street, Port Huron, Michigan, November 16, 1927, and left the following message: . – Otto Fetting

1 "The last time I came to you, I brought a message of warning to you. Read it, and with it I also warned you of the losses that you would have unless you heeded the warning. I told you that this was a time of haste. Now the time has come when you will have greater losses. Come with me and I will show you a vision* of the future.

2 Remember there are trying times ahead that will affect the whole world, and much will come to pass. That great church[7], the mother of harlots, the abomination of all the earth is working against all governments, to overthrow them[8], and it is also working with all its power and helpers to overthrow this government, that she may establish herself upon this land. Remember Satan has great power, and many will be deceived by his power.

3 Release yourself from the business world. Seek not after riches, but seek to warn the world, and save the honest in heart from destruction. Weep not over the losses you will have, for they will be many. Many trials will come to you. Remember, I have told you.

4 The time has come that the words he gave to the churches will come to pass, and the judgments will come upon the earth. The abominations will flourish until God will send his angels[9] to reap the harvest of the wicked and Satan[10] will be bound.

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[7] Revelation 17:5
[8] Ether 8:25
[9] Matt. 13:41
[10] Revelation 20:2

5 Many will not be true to the work that God will place upon them, and Satan will try you also, for there is great danger ahead. Let not the riches of this world or the praise of men lead you to destruction.

6 I will come to you from time to time, to instruct you in many things that will come to pass, and the great work that must be done."

*a vision concerning personal affairs

Fifth Message

On March 22, 1928, the Messenger came to me at my home for the fifth time since his first visit on February 4, 1927.
I awoke when he laid his hand on my head, and he said: . – Otto Fetting

1 "In 1899 the servant of the Lord laid his hands[1] on you and set you apart from among men to represent Christ, and gave you authority to preach the gospel and bring others into his Kingdom. That authority has not been taken from you, and never will be taken from you unless you deny the Lord your God.

2 Again in 1926, you, with your brethren, were set apart as members of the twelve[2] to represent Christ and his Church, with the same authority as the apostles of old. Many are representing Christ but not Christ and his Church, but you have been chosen to represent Christ and his Church as he established it when he was here.

3 Remember, Satan, in times past, has led men away from the teachings of Christ and his Church, but let it not be so with you. Others have been led away by adultery because of following the whisperings of Satan, but let it not be so with you. Some have been led by pride and the love of the praise of men, but let it not be so with you. All these things and many more come from the whisperings of Satan. Let not your hearts be tempted neither by the praise of men or by the love of money, because it will rob you of the Spirit and goodness of God.

4 The Lord has called you men to assist in his work in these last days, to build up the Kingdom of God; and to help in his work let there be added

[1] Acts 6:1-6; Acts 13:3
[2] Matt. 10:1-20

with you Elmer E. Long, B. C. Flint, and James E. Yates, as members of the twelve apostles in the Church of Christ. And if you men and brethren will work in peace with the love of God in your hearts, then God will bless you, and also the Church for your sake, and God will love you, and will bless you and the people and your work.

5 You men, with others, shall assist in the building of the temple, the house of the Lord, which shall be started in 1929. The Lord will give you seven years in which to complete the work. While it may be slow in the beginning, the Lord will open the way and many will help. Let the work be well done and as the Lord will open the way, and direct from time to time. As you stand in need, he will direct and send you help. Think not that the work can be done without the help of the Lord. He will send his Spirit and his messengers from time to time, for this house shall not be built by promises, but by sacrifice; but the Lord God shall sanctify the house that shall be built in his name, and the glory of Lord shall rest upon it, and the Spirit of the Lord shall fill the hearts of men, and Christ shall come to it, and the cloud that shall rest upon it shall sanctify it and the lives of his people.

6 Let all those who can assist in the work of the Lord, and let the bands be broken of the blind shepherds[3] who have led away the Lord's people to dry pastures and to by and forbidden paths, that they may return unto the Lord, their God.

7 Let the house be built of steel and concrete, and let the outside be gray stone, polished. Let the pillars and foundations be strong. Let the basement or first floor be finished, that the Lord's people in Independence may gather there for their services. Let the main floor be used when the Lord's people gather for their general assemblies from time to time, at which times the Lord's Spirit will rest upon them in great power, and will direct them in their work that the gospel may be preached to all nations in power, for behold your message shall be a message of love, and this power shall come to the servants of the Lord and his people.

8 The cloud[4] shall not rest upon the house all the time, but only when the people of the Lord shall assemble therein, in humility and love; then, will the Lord meet with them. Let the length of the building be double the width thereof, so that the main floor may seat three thousand five hundred. The people that will gather there at times will be many, for

[3] Matt. 15:14; Isaiah 56:10,11
[4] Isaiah 4:5

great will be the desire of the people to come to the Lord's house, and the Lord will meet them in the hour of their great need, when they confess their sins unto him, and the weak shall be made strong.

9 Let the roof be strong, let the beams be of steel, the center be rounding, and let the building be fireproof in all parts that nothing can burn.

10 To the servants of the Lord, let your voice be heard everywhere, warning the people that the coming of Christ is near at hand. Preach the gospel, cry repentance to all people and nations, that all may be warned.

11 Do not be harsh with your brethren who also believe in the coming of Christ and the building of the temple, and if you will present your message in love you will win your brethren, and many will help. Yea, let your message go to them first, for many have looked for this day when they could help; nevertheless, you shall start your preparations for the temple now, and in 1929 your weak efforts shall start in faith to begin the work which shall be great when finished.

12 Great shall be the joy of the people of the Lord, not so much because of the house[5], but because the Lord shall sanctify his people; his power will be with them and his Spirit will fill their souls with joy. The house shall be a sheltering rock to them, a haven of rest wherein they will find spiritual food and knowledge, a school wherein they will learn of God's goodness.

13 Let all your work be done in faith, for behold you can do nothing without faith. Faith[6] will make you strong. Prepare yourselves to be a people who can meet the Lord at his coming.

14 Let each one warn his neighbor in love and faith. Prepare the ground, then will your harvest be great. Think not that you are weak and cannot warn your neighbor, for the Lord is strength, and inasmuch as you will trust him in your work he will give you the strength you need. Think not that Satan will not tempt you, for his power will also be manifested, and unless you are spiritually minded you will not detect his work by which he will seek to destroy your work. Ask, and ye shall receive as to your needs from day to day. Let all things be done in love and faith.

15 Warn ye the people that they may till the soil, for famine[7] will come, and many things that shall make people idle and no work, and all those that shall not seek to supply themselves with the fruits of the soil will

[5] Isaiah 4:6
[6] Hebrews 11:5
[7] Matt. 24:7

suffer. Let the people of the Lord take warning and keep out of debt, lest when the trying times will come they shall lose, but those that are wise will seek to supply themselves with that which they need and be therewith content.

16 Work while you can, and save while you can, that each may have their home and the soil to grow food for their families, that none may suffer. Follow not after the craze of the world, for the Lord wants a holy people.

17 I will come from time to time, and will direct in the work ye shall do that a people of the Lord may be prepared for his coming."

Sixth Message

Received at 12:30 a.m. to 1:25 a.m., September 1, 1928, at Port Huron, Michigan.

I was awake in my bed, not feeling very strong, and was somewhat discouraged, when all at once the room became light, and I knew that the Messenger was not far away. I gazed at the light, when all at once he stood by my bedside, and this is what he said: . – Otto Fetting

1 "I am John, the servant of the Lord, a messenger sent from God, a co-laborer with you to prepare a people for Christ when he shall come again, which will not be long; but before that time many things will come to pass, as it is written. The temple must be built, but it will be built through great tribulation, when trying times will be on the earth; and because of the iniquity that shall be in the hearts of men, many shall have no faith in the gospel of Christ. God will chasten many, for he wants a tried people. You have had losses but you will have more; and it is best that you isolate yourself from the business world, for behold, you shall be tried as Joseph of Egypt was tried, for some of your brethren are seeking to destroy your life; and you will also be accused of adultery, the same as Joseph was; and while trials shall come to you, and losses, yet you shall not want for bread; and if faithful to your trust, at the end you shall receive your reward for your labor.

2 Joseph Smith did a great work in his day; yet he sinned before the Lord in many things by not keeping the commandments that were given to him, and in not building the house of the Lord; yet he repented, and in

the end he will be numbered with the prophets of old. Be ye not like him, but build ye the house according to the pattern that shall be given to you. Let the temple be ninety feet in width, and one hundred and eighty feet in length, and let there be an inner court, fifty-five feet by sixty-five feet; and let there be an outer court. Let there also be a lower court, or basement, as I told you before, and let it be twelve feet in height from the lower floor. Let the walls be made of concrete and steel. Let the foundation be two feet six inches in width. Let the foundation go to the rock. Let the outside be covered with cement and tar, and tile perpendicular, so that the lower rooms may be dry; for the people shall gather there for their prayers and fastings unto the Lord. Let the room be light. Let the frames of the windows be of steel, and let them be placed in cement. Let the glass be heavy. Let the steel of the whole building go to the foundation, and let them be tied with angle steel and concrete every four feet, that the building may be strong; for trying times will come; for the heaven and the earth will be shaken[1], and men's hearts will be filled with fear; but to you who are faithful, the Lord shall be with you; nevertheless, your faith shall be tried and many shall wax cold.

3 I will come to you from time to time to give you the plans of the house of the Lord; but remember, inasmuch as you and your brethren shall be humble before the Lord, and shall do his will, I shall come to you; but if you are not true, your minds will be darkened, and these plans shall be withheld from you. Pray often; heed not the advice of men, for God will direct in the building of his house; for the Lord spoke unto Joseph Smith thus:

4 'Verily I say unto you, my friends, I speak unto you with my voice, even the voice of my Spirit, that I may show unto you my will concerning your brethren in the land of Zion, many of whom are truly humble, and are seeking diligently to learn wisdom and to find truth; verily I say unto you, blessed are all such for they shall obtain, for I , the Lord, showeth mercy unto all the meek, and upon whomsoever I will, that I may be justified, when I shall bring them into judgment.

5 And inasmuch as my people build an house unto me, in the name of the Lord, and do not suffer any unclean thing to come into it, that it be not defiled, my glory shall rest upon it, and my presence shall be there, for I will come into it, and all the pure in heart that shall come into it, shall see God; but if it be defiled I will not come into it, and my glory shall not be there, for I will not come into unholy temples.

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[1] Matt. 24:29; Haggai 2:6

6 Verily, thus saith the Lord unto you, whom I love, and whom I love I also chasten, that their sins may be forgiven, for with the chastisement I prepare a way for their deliverance, in all things, out of temptation; and I have loved you; wherefore you must needs be chastened, and stand rebuked before my face, for ye have sinned against me a very grievous sin, in that ye have not considered the great commandment in all things, that I have given unto you, concerning the building of mine house, for the preparation wherewith I design to prepare mine apostles to prune my vineyard for the last time, that I may bring to pass[2] my strange act, that I may pour out my Spirit upon all flesh. But behold, verily I say unto you, there are many who have been ordained among you, whom I have called, but few of them are chosen; they who are not chosen have sinned a very grievous sin, in that they are walking in darkness at noonday; and for this cause, I gave you a commandment, that you should call your solemn assembly; that your fasting and your mourning might come up into the ears of the Lord your God.

7 Yea, verily I say unto you, I gave you a commandment, that you should build a house, in which house I design to endow those whom I have chosen with power from on high, for this is the promise of the Father unto you; therefore, I command you to tarry, even as mine apostles at Jerusalem; nevertheless my servants sinned a very grievous sin.

8 Verily, I say unto you, it is my will that you should build an house; if you keep my commandments, you shall have power to build it; if you keep not my commandments, the love of the Father shall not continue with you; therefore you shall walk in darkness. Now here is wisdom and the mind of the Lord; let the house be built after the manner which I shall show unto three of you, whom ye shall appoint and ordain unto this power. And the size thereof shall be fifty and five feet in width, and let it be sixty-five feet in length, in the inner court thereof; and let the lower part of the inner court be dedicated unto me for your sacrament offering, and for your preaching, and your fasting, and your praying, and the offering up of your most holy desires unto me, saith your Lord.' For thus spoke he unto Joseph Smith who heeded not his words.

9 But let this house be built, for great shall be the joy of the people of the Lord, not so much because of the house, but because the Lord shall sanctify his people; his power will be with them and his Spirit will fill their souls with joy. The house shall be a sheltering rock to them, a haven

[2] Isaiah 28:21

of rest, wherein they will find spiritual food and knowledge, a school wherein they will learn of God's goodness.

10 Take this message to your brethren who have obeyed the gospel. Many will believe it, but some will reject it, because darkness has clouded their mind; nevertheless, in time to come others will accept it.

11 Be humble in your work. Be longsuffering with others; and if you will do this God will give you his Spirit from time to time to enlighten your mind, that the work you do might be accepted of him. Amen."

Seventh and Eighth Messages

Received at Port Huron, Michigan, October 30, and November 30, 1928.

On Thanksgiving night I retired very early as I had been suffering with a heavy cold ever since we came home from Independence. I went to bed at eight, and at twelve o'clock I was awake. I heard the clock strike twelve. Just shortly after that I saw the Messenger in my room. He came from the east and very suddenly. I was not thinking of the Church at the time. My mind was more on the cold I had. When I saw him this came to my mind: "Well, what is it you want this time?" This thought had no more than passed through my mind when he said: . – Otto Fetting

1 "On October 30th I came to you and told you about the basement floor, how it should be eighteen inches thick and reinforced with steel, and that heavy ties of steel should bind the whole building together at that place. I told you that the main wall and steel should go to the rock and the concrete should be two and a half feet thick, and that it should be reinforced and tied with angle steel. The basement floor should be dovetailed and tied in with the main wall and that the steel should be heavy; also the tile under the floor should be perfect and the outer drain should have an opening every twenty feet. This is very important to have done.

2 I said that each stone should be fitted to hug the building and that the mortar coming to the outside should be very thin.

3 You did not write this down. While this may be plain in your mind, your brethren do not know this, therefore write this. Withhold nothing from them that they may know all the things I have told you. Also your brethren of the twelve must know these things, as you all shall have to give an account of your work.

4 The Lord requires this work to be done after the pattern that he shall give you from time to time. It is well that you choose a wise man who fears God and who is no mocker, but one who will follow the instructions that God shall give concerning the building of this house. He may draw the plans, and if he will give heed to the voice of the Spirit and the instructions that I shall deliver to you let him draw the prints and the plans.

5 You have been appointed to inquire of the Lord. If you will do so in prayer and fasting your vision shall be opened and nothing shall be withheld from you. I shall come from time to time to instruct you in all things as to the building of the house of the Lord, and your work concerning Zion. Behold this house shall be the Government[1] of God on earth; from which the law of the Lord shall go forth to all nations, even to the Jews that they also may know that God has again spoken, and that he again shall gather Israel in their own land. For the coming of Christ is near at hand, when he shall destroy the works of Satan and bring about the restitution[2] of all things, and the restoration of peace upon the earth. Then shall be fulfilled what the prophets have spoken of when the lamb and the lion shall lie down together[3] and all men shall be equal and shall love one another and shall serve God with all their heart.

6 But remember, before that time Satan shall do all in his power to destroy and to deceive all flesh, and you shall be tempted and tried as men of old. Think not that the work that has been committed to your trust is light. Satan knows that his time is short[4] when he shall deceive the nations no more. Therefore he shall bring destruction upon the wicked, and trials and temptations upon the just that he may try their faith and deceive them if they will not watch[5] and pray.

7 Therefore, let the temple of the Lord be built. Shout the tidings to the nations of the earth. The Lord God has spoken and has again sent his

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[1] Isaiah 2:2-4
[2] Acts 3:21
[3] Isaiah 11:6-9
[4] Revelation 12:12
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messenger that peace may come and salvation to all people. Prepare ye a people that shall be ready to meet Christ when he comes to make his abode with men.

8 Teach the law of the lord that the millennium may come, for great shall be the joy in heaven and angels shall sing aloud at that day. Hearken! The Lord has chosen his servants to proclaim the message. Then hasten, and do not delay his work. The lord will bless you that labor, and the people you shall labor among, for your sake. Labor in love; be harsh with no one; qualify to be leaders; go to the rich and poor alike. Be not puffed up; be humble, and inasmuch as you will do this God will be with you.

9 Those who will not labor somewhere in their calling will not enjoy the Spirit, and their minds will be darkened, and their vision will be as one in the dark. Many are seeking for light. Tarry ye not, but do the Lord's bidding. He will provide.

10 Let the roof of the temple and the doors be of copper, and let the seats also be fireproof; for behold, the world shall be cleansed by fire, by storms and by tempest. Satan shall destroy all that he can by his power.

11 Let your faith be strong in the Lord your God. Read the eleventh chapter of Hebrews. Read it often. By faith you shall do your work. Send this message to your brethren. Some will believe it, but some will not believe. Nevertheless, it will strengthen others; but inasmuch as you and your brethren are humble and faithful to your trust, God will bless your work.

12 I am John, the Messenger, sent from God to prepare the way as in the day when Christ was here. Behold, my work has just begun; for the works of Satan must be destroyed. For that work came I into the world, that I may prepare the way that Christ may destroy[6] the works of Satan.

13 I will come from time to time to instruct you; but be not slothful in your work, lest the Lord rebuke thee. Amen."

[6] I John 3:8

Ninth Message

The Messenger came to me again for the ninth time, at my home at 814 Pine Street, Port Huron, Michigan, at 3 a.m., on March 8, 1929, and was with me thirty minutes.

The room was very light, and I saw him and he talked to me as one man talks to another, and this is what he told me: . – Otto Fetting

1 "I come to you again to instruct you as to the work that shall be done, for behold, Satan is at work to fill the hearts of men with doubts and fears. There are those who read the words of the Lord and the prophets and have faith therein. Upon these Satan has no power. There are those who have read the word of the Lord, but whose faith is weak and they doubt when Satan comes to them as an angel of light[7]. Therefore, be not harsh with the weak, for the time will come when their faith will also be made stronger. Behold, the day of destruction is at hand when the judgments[8] are coming on the earth, and many will suffer therefrom.

2 Fear not the word of men whose hearts are carnal and filled with selfishness, and who seek their own glory and not the glory of God. Let the people of the Lord take warning that they rid themselves of all these things, for the Lord wants a holy[9] people, whose hearts are single, and who will love that they may also be loved of God.

3 I will give you more of the plans of the temple, but be not slothful in carrying out the plans that I have given you. Get, as I have told you, a wise man whose heart is filled with the Spirit of God; who is no mocker. Let him draw the plans and prints of the building as far as he can, for behold, this house is not built after the wisdom of men; for it shall yet be shown to many who doubt and question the wisdom of this house that the Lord has directed, and that it was not the wisdom of men.

4 But remember, this work is sacred, the work that you shall do. Therefore, be humble in all that you do and say, for God looks upon the heart, and only the pure in heart are acceptable to him. By your lives and by your teaching you must prepare a people who shall be worthy to meet Christ at his coming.

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[7] II Corinthians 11:14
[8] Isaiah 26:9
[9] Ephesians 5:27

5 Be not discouraged by what people will say. This work is not your work but the Lord's. He will provide, and will direct; but take the message to the ends of the earth and to all nations, for Christ will come to judge all men. The gospel must be preached, and as you go in love, God will provide the way and direct in his work.

6 Dig the basement, and dig the trenches to the rock, and from there start to fabricate and construct and get your measurements for the steel, and floors, and heights. Begin at the bottom and work up, and as you do so, I will give you instructions as you shall need it. Worry not so much about the temple, for greater work must yet be done than the building of the temple, for the people must be prepared to meet Christ; the gospel must be preached; the glad tidings must be taken from house to house; the warning must be done.

7 All those who are humble and full of love will help; but remember, Satan will tempt you and will bring many enticements before you to try your faith. Love your brother who labors with you, though at times he may treat you unkindly, for love will bring others to the light.

8 It is the will of the Lord that you shall give all your time to the work of the Lord at this time, that his work may go on; and inasmuch as the members of the twelve will labor with you in this work the Lord will bless them in their work, but they must labor in love. All selfishness must be eliminated from their lives, and as they rule it must be in love. Lead ye the people in the paths of peace. Be patient with all men; and if ye will do this you shall be the special agents of the Lord to do his work.

9 I will come from time to time to instruct you in the work of the Lord; for great shall be the work that yet shall be done to prepare a people, and a nation to meet Christ when he comes. Amen."

Tenth Message

The Messenger came to me for the tenth time at 2:05 a.m., on March 23, 1929, and was with me for twenty-five minutes, and this is what he said: . – Otto Fetting

1 “I have come to you again that I might instruct you, for this purpose have I been sent, inasmuch as you have met that you might inquire of God as to the plans and pattern that shall be given to you, I shall come from time to time to give you such instructions as you shall stand in need of.

2 The building that you have staked is set ten feet too far to the east and if you will move the stakes then it shall stand upon the place that has been pointed out by the finger of God. Let the pillars go to the rock and the columns be three feet through and those that are on the side shall be cut in two; but let the pillars go to the rock. Let there be twelve windows on the north and twelve windows on the south, and let there be a division at the top and tied with steel that the walls may be strong for storms shall come that shall test the workmanship that you shall do.

3 Fear not, for the Lord has yet reserved unto himself men that shall help in the construction and the erection of this building, that shall be a glory to God. Many hearts shall be touched; many lives shall be blessed, because the Lord shall direct and his Spirit shall draw and mellow the heart.

4 Let the building be tied with steel at the dividing of the inner court which shall be sixty-five feet from north to south, and fifty-five feet from east to west. Let there be an archway between the outer and the inner court, the details of which I will give you later because I will come from time to time to direct in this work. But remember, the work which you are engaged in, which shall be required at you hands, is sacred before God and must be sacred with you. As you shall meet from time to time, draw you minds in from the things of the world that you might be spiritually minded, for jesting and levity rob you of the Spirit and light that you shall stand in need of from time to time.

5 Let there be a steel beam running from east to west over the columns that it might strengthen the cornice, and that the building might be securely tied, for many of the storms shall come from the southwest. Let the pillars and the columns come from the rock that shall go to the roof in the dividing of the inner and the outer court, and let there be a wall of concrete and steel divide the basement at the same place. Let there also be a concrete wall to the west on each side of the boiler room that there be no chance of fire, for, behold, this building shall be fireproof.

6 The Lord has given you seven years to complete this building, and I will give you the plans from time to time as you shall stand in need. Be not slothful in carrying out that which I have given

you. Seek to be humble because trying times will come. I will come again to instruct you from time to time. Amen."

Eleventh Message

The Messenger came to me the eleventh time April 30, 1929, at 10:30 p.m., and was with me till 11:15, or forty-five minutes.

I retired early, about 9 p.m., and was not feeling very strong. I went to sleep but was awakened at 10:30 by the Messenger and this is what he said: .
– Otto Fetting

1 "I come to you again when you are weak in body, and discouraged over things over which you have no control; remember these things will come from time to time; save your strength that you may do the work that God has entrusted to you, for behold your time is short, the Lord has extended your life in the past for this work that must be done.

2 Some have been called away, and that for a wise purpose, others will be called away; remembe[1]r God's ways are not man's ways, but God will direct in his way that man shall fear before him.

3 Go and take this message that I have given you, for it is God's message to the children of men; a warning as in the days of Noah, for remember trying times are and will be upon the earth, men's hearts failing[2] them for fear because of the things that are, and will be upon the earth. Save your strength, be wise, lest your end shall come before time.

4 Worry not about those who seek to destroy your life, and the Lord's work that has been committed to you to do, it is not your work. You have had losses, but others have had losses, and many will lose not only this world's goods, but their lives, and some their souls will suffer as well.

5 Take the message of the Lord to the people, many will receive it, and those that will shape their life by it will receive their reward; those that will not heed it will suffer thereby, yet in the end they will see, and shall yet know that God has spoken.

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[1] Isaiah 55:8
[2] Luke 21:25,26

6 Nations are in distress, and will be in time to come, for the wisdom of men is limited if not seasoned with the wisdom[3] of God, and those nations who are rejecting the laws and commandments of God will suffer, until they shall return and obey[4] them.

7 All those who shall help you to take the message to the people shall be blessed; remember there are thousands whose hearts are tender, who are looking for the Word of the Lord, who will be glad to receive the message; take to them the gospel of love.

8 Many will help you that his work will go on, for behold the time is at hand when men shall see that God's hand is in this work; be not slothful, or fainthearted, for God will be your strength. The Lord has given you a wife that is a helpmate to you, who has, and will suffer with you.

9 Let this message be heard; send it to the ends of the earth. Those of your brethren who will assist you will be blessed, those that refuse to assist shall lose thereby.

10 The temple will be built. There will be changes in the men that will help. Those that hinder let them be removed, that the Lord's house might be built. Let the people rule whose hearts are pure, but those whose hearts are selfish shall come to naught. Go to Independence from time to time in your work, encourage the people, help to establish a real Zion. Many of the Lord's people will accept the message, but remember this is a work of love.

11 Many will assist in the work that is before you now; be careful of your strength, be wise in your work, be humble in all your efforts, worry not about the plans of the temple, for the Lord will direct from time to time.

12 I am John, the same John that prepared the way before Christ when he was here, I am the Messenger sent from God to do the work for which I was born. I have come in the past, and will come in the future. I am a prophet and thy fellow servant. I am he[5] that preached baptism and repentance in the wilderness of Judea. I am the John that was beheaded. I am the Messenger to prepare the way. I am the Messenger of the Lord to direct in building the temple, and I shall be with Christ when he shall come to his temple. I am the Messenger that shall bring the warning to

[3] I Corinthians 3:19-21; Jeremiah 8:9
[4] Isaiah 26:9
[5] Malachi 3:1

the people of the destruction that shall come to pass. My message is one of love to them that will obey it.

13 Hear! Oh ye people of the earth; Christ's coming is near at hand. Read the words of the Master of men, the Savior of the world. He will come to bring judgments, and peace, and will rule from sea to sea, and all men will obey him; his Kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; he is Lord of lords, and King of kings. Glory! Glory to his name! Amen."

Twelfth Message

The Messenger came to me for the twelfth time Thursday night, July 18, 1929. He came and went three times, remaining each time until I was weak from his presence, then he would leave me for a short time so I could regain some of my strength. The divine is so much stronger than the human that the presence of the Messenger makes a person weak in body. This time I had the first opportunity to ask him a question, which I did. I asked him if our work which we have done has been accepted of the Lord, to which he answered, "Yes."

I hope that whosoever may read these messages may make it a matter of prayer and fasting in humility before God, that they may know for themselves that God has again spoken and revealed his mind and will from heaven . – Otto Fetting.

THE WORDS OF THE MESSENGER

1 "I have come to you from time to time, to instruct you as to the work of building the temple, and the organization of the Church of Christ, and re-establishing it again in its fullness, that the Church may again receive the power and Holy Ghost as in the days of old, and that as on the day of Pentecost[1], the servants of the Lord may be filled with the Spirit of God, that they may take the message of the gospel of Christ to the nations of the earth, for the Lord has reserved unto himself this remnant on the temple lot, to set the Church in order. I have come to you in your own language that you may understand, and impart it to the children of men, and that the message might be understood by all people, in its plainness, that they may have no excuse at the judgment day, for verily these things shall come to pass.

[1] Acts 2:1-12

2 The Lord has looked upon you and your brethren, and has seen the humility of your souls, and your desire to carry out the instructions that the Lord has given you from time to time, and thus far your work has been accepted of the Lord, but remember, you must remain very humble before God, and do the things he has, and will command you to do, or the Spirit and light that the Lord has given you will be withheld from you and your minds will become dark, and doubt and fear will enter your souls. Therefore, seek the Lord often in prayer and in the humility of your souls the work that the Lord has commanded you to do will come before you. Contend with no man, only contend for the truth, for the truth[2] will make you free. Contentions will darken the mind, and the Spirit of God will not dwell in the hearts of men who are contentious.

3 The plans as drawn by your brethren are correct as to the foundation, that is, as to size, but let the pillars be added to the outside, four feet eight inches in length, and two feet eight inches in depth, and let the pillars on each corner be the same size. Dig the trenches, and bring the foundation to the level of the basement floor, and your steel fifteen inches above the grade level. Let your fabricating be done, so that your work may continue from there, for behold, many important things shall come to pass, and many things shall yet be given but I will come from time to time to instruct you, that the work will not be delayed.

4 Behold, the Lord has rejected all creeds and factions of men[3], who have gone away from the word of the Lord and have become an abomination in his sight, therefore, let those that come to the Church of Christ be baptized, that they may rid themselves of the traditions and sins of men; preparing themselves, that they may be fit and worthy for the Spirit and power of the Holy Ghost, and as the greater power shall come, that they may be ready to receive it with joy. For this is the time of the restitution[4] and restoration of all things, and this must come to all that shall be permitted to dwell in the presence of Christ, for sin cannot receive the glory of God, nor the power of the Holy Spirit.

5 Let not the building of the temple hinder the preaching of the gospel, but let those that have been appointed and set apart for the temple work, see that all things be done after the pattern that I shall give. And let those that have been called and set apart to carry the gospel message to the nations of the earth do their work, as they have been instructed. Let them

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[2] John 8:31, 32
[3] Mark 7:7-9; Mormon 8:36
[4] Acts 3:20-21

preach the things as they are found in the Bible and the Record of the Nephites; let them take the message to Jew and Gentile, to all classes, tongues and peoples. Let the men who have been placed in charge and appointed to look after and receive the tithes, offerings and oblations, be mindful of their work, that the moneys so received are spent wisely. Let them give an accounting to the Church, that things may be done in justice to all, always being mindful that they are ambassadors for Christ and the Church, and that they will be without excuse to God, for everyone must be faithful to their trust for this is the Lord's work, and so shall it[5] be required of him in the last day.

6 Remember, the Lord committed to Joseph Smith a great work in his day, and power and authority to re-establish the Church of Christ in his day as in the days of old. He gave him the pattern to establish it as in the days of the apostles, and restored the priesthood and authority of the Son of God to the children of men. Yet, because of pride and the love and praise of men, he sinned before God, and much of his work has been destroyed, but he will be saved[6] as by fire, and will be numbered with the prophets of old. Again, the Lord has called others to prune his vineyard, to bring the gospel of peace, to establish his Church as in the days of old, that the power of the priesthood may be again enjoyed as in the days of old.

7 Behold, the Lord changes not, again he has sent me to instruct the children of men as to the building of the temple, the size thereof, the inner court and the outer court, the construction of the building, the time to begin work, the time to complete the building of the temple, the material it shall be built of, and I will come from time to time to instruct you, for thus was I commanded to instruct Joseph Smith, but because he was not true to the trust, this was withheld from him. Remember, you have been entrusted with this work, therefore be humble that you fail not in your work.

8 And as I laid my hands upon Joseph Smith, so now I lay my hands on you, that greater power and greater light might come to you, and to set you apart to do the work entrusted to your care and in your day. Remember, the priesthood was not and will not be taken from the earth since I conferred it on Joseph Smith; but the greater power of the priesthood has been withheld because of the transgression of those who have been entrusted therewith. Therefore, see that all things are done

[5] Ecclesiastes 12:14
[6] I Corinthians 3:13-15

after the pattern I will give you, that in all things you may please the Lord your God. Be true to the trust that has been placed upon you and your brethren, each one in his place and calling, for the Lord will hold each one responsible in their work that must be done and will require it at their hands in the last day. Some will fail because of the temptations that shall come to them, but they will suffer loss. But, remember, Christ[7] is at the head of the Church, and will direct his work; he is the Great High Priest of his people and he will direct the work as in days of old. I therefore bless you in the name of Christ, and admonish you to seek not the praise of men but be humble before God, and the people of the Lord, and your brethren. The priesthood and authority that was placed upon you by the servant of the Lord will never be taken from you unless you deny the Lord your God, but if you are not true to the trust imposed upon you, you shall suffer loss and lose your crown. The Lord will reveal to you from time to time the things pertaining to the building of the temple and the work that must be done by the Church of Christ, that the people of the Lord might be instructed of the things that shall come to pass. Amen.

9 Let C. A. Spilsbury be set apart among men to fill the vacancy in the quorum of twelve, that the work may not suffer, for this is a day of haste as I have told you. Let him take the field with the gospel message as he is not burdened with the cares of life as some are. Let the elders who are not burdened with the cares of life go from place to place and prepare to take the message to other nations, but let those go to the far off fields that are not burdened with the care of children, and let their companions go also. Use wisdom in these matters, be careful in your expenses, while and where you labor, that more may be sent into the harvest field.

10 Let your work on the temple continue, working as fast as the moneys come in but keep out of debt; contract no debt with any man, for this work must be done by sacrifice and not by promises. For behold the people of the Lord are glad to help in this work of the Lord, by tithes and by offerings for thus did the people in the days of old, which was pleasing unto the Lord, for this was the law in Abraham's day[8] who paid tithes and the Lord blessed him, and the Lord will bless in your day all those that shall keep his law. Therefore pay your oblations to the Lord in all things that your work may be accepted of him, so that when trying times are upon the earth your work might stand the test. Let the gospel be

[7] Ephesians 4:15; Colossians 1:17,18
[8] Hebrews 7:6

preached, let the poor be provided for, let the temple be built, that in all things you may be the children of God.

11 Those that will heed the warnings that I have given to them in the past will be blessed; those that will not believe will lose; nevertheless, take the message to them, and the honest in heart will accept it.

12 I am John the Baptist[9] that prepared the way before Christ and I will prepare the way before him again, and a people to receive Christ when he comes. Send this message to your brethren, the twelve first; then send it to the nations of the earth with all the rest now in print, but the things I have shown to you in vision, keep that only for your brethren, give not that to the enemies that seek to hinder the work of the Lord.

13 I will come from time to time until the work is finished after the pattern. Be humble, and the Lord will bless you by his Spirit, and men will be blessed by the message in time to come. Amen."

Thirteenth Message

The Messenger came to me September 20, 1929, at my home at 814 Pine Street, a little before 3 a.m., and remained until 3:45 a.m. These are his words as he gave them to me: . – Otto Fetting

1 "I come to you again. Remember there are, and will be trying times, and as these changes take place, the faith of the children of men will be tried, because they are not used to the things that are, and will take place. Remember the Lord has said that a marvelous work and a wonder is to come forth, which will be marvelous to all people, and will not be understood except by the Spirit of God from whence it shall come.

2 Satan knows that his time is but short, therefore his power from beneath will work, and oppose the power from above. There is, and will be, distress[10] of nations, and greater trouble shall come to pass. This nation is, and will be in great danger, for there is, and will be a great uniting of power and powers, for Satan will work to destroy all that he

[9] Luke 1:17,76
[10] Luke 21:25, 26

can of the good. As the restitution[11] and restoration of all things will be at work, Satan will be there to disturb the minds and peace of men, and to hinder the good that they shall try to do.

3 By the uniting of power, many will be brought from foreign countries, and this will change conditions here. Again this country will be in distress, therefore let those go to the land as I have told you, before these changes will come, for trying times are upon the earth.

4 Churches will unite, and the time will come when there will be only the Church of Chris[12]t and the church of the devil[13], so remember while the good is at work, Satan is there to destroy.

5 Your mind has been troubled over the condition of the Church. All these things will come to pass for the two powers are at work; one to build up the Lord's work, the other to destroy. Satan will darken the minds of the people, for many are filled with selfishness and their minds are carnal, and blinded by the traditions of men. As you stand between the good and the evil, you will have Satan to contend with as he seeks to destroy, and the power of the Lord on the other side to direct you, that you may instruct the people.

6 The Church of Christ[14] will never again be destroyed, for it shall continue on its work until Christ shall come, but many hearts will be sad at times because of the things they will have to pass through.

7 As you go and talk with the people, and your brethren, be kind to them; bear with their weakness, for this will make you strong, and as the greater things shall come you may have the strength to stand, for many will fall by the way. Remember, the temple will be built as I have told you; if not by this people, by another people which God will raise up, for thousands are ready to receive the message that I shall bring from time to time, and will accept it.

8 Your life will be in danger from time to time, use wisdom where you are and with whom you are, both with those that profess Christ, and those that are of the world, for many are at enmity with you.

9 Send this not to the world as yet, for I will come to you again to instruct you, for so have I been commanded of the Lord, to come

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[11] Acts 3:20, 21
[12] Ephesians 4:4,5
[13] Revelations 17:3-6; I Nephi 14:10
[14] Daniel 2:44

to you. While this may seem strange to you, and many others, yet in the end you shall know the reason that I was sent to you."

Fourteenth Message

The Messenger was with me in my room at the home of J. G. Pointer, 1041 Van Horn Road, Independence, Missouri, from 4 a.m. to 4:30 a.m., October 7, 1929, and spoke to me as follows: . – Otto Fetting

1 "There are those that will oppose the message that I have given you, and at times this will delay the work on the temple, but their end will be sad. The Lord will bless the hearts that are pure and the hands that are clean before him.

2 Fear not because you are hated by some, neither fear the words that they shall say, for you must bear witness of the message, not only now, but you shall be called upon from time to time to bear witness of that which I have given you. The time is near at hand, when you shall be called upon to bear witness not only to the people of the Church of Christ, but you and your brethren must bear witness to the world of these things which I have told you.

3 As I come to you in your language, so am I commanded to bring a record from other people in their language, which will also bear witness in like manner of God's dealing with them. There will be people from time to time to bear record of the truthfulness to them, of the things which I have given to you.

4 Let Walter L. Gates take charge of the temple work here on the ground and at the office, for a season; let Thomas B. Nerren labor among the churches in the East, and let James E. Yates labor in Utah among the people whose hearts are open to receive the message I have given you. Prepare to send a man to Holland next year among the people there who are ready to receive this work.

5 Be not boastful, neither harsh with the people, when you take the message to them, but be humble and full of love, and when you are in need of light from heaven, wash[1] yourself that you may be clean, anoint your head with oil, and in fasting and humility go before your God, that he might direct you in his work.

6 As the people of the Lord who have a desire to cleanse themselves of the traditions of men shall come to the Lord's servants, baptize them. Be careful in all your words, and works that you shall do, for Satan will try to destroy the work that I have been commanded to instruct you to do.

7 Let W. P. Buckley, as a bishop, be out in the field and labor among the people, preaching both the principles of the gospel and the tithing law, and let Walter L. Gates help keep the records that all things might be kept in order.

8 As you labor among the people, call the elders together and instruct them to be humble and labor in love.

9 Write this and place it with the rest that I have given you, but send it not to the world as yet for I will come again to you."

[1] Matt. 6:17, 18

Fifteenth Message

He came to me while at the home of J. G. Pointer, 1041 West Van Horn Road, Independence, Missouri, on Sunday morning at 4 o'clock, October 13, 1929, and was with me for about five minutes.

This is what he said: . – Otto Fetting

1 "Grieve not over what man has done, this is not your work, but God's work. They have not rejected you, but they have rejected me, and the message I have brought from the Lord. And inasmuch as they have done this, the Lord has rejected them, and their work.

2 Read these words, to the people, that I have given you, and be humble before God."

3 Then he told me to keep the plans of the temple, and not give them to the world, and he told me a few personal things that are not given here.

4 This was the next morning after conference had closed.

Sixteenth Message

Received at 4 a.m., October 27, 1929, at Port Huron, Michigan. . – Otto Fetting

1 "I have come to you again, that you may not get discouraged in the work that the Lord has placed upon you. You have seen that man is continually evil unless he is filled with the Spirit of God, and as it was in the days of Noah[1], so it is now, the warning has come, and the warning must be taken to the nations of the earth; you have borne witness to the Church of Christ, now you must bear witness of the message to others that Christ's coming is near; cry with a loud voice; fear not those whose hearts are filled with selfishness, and are seeking their own glory, and not the glory of God.

[1] Matt. 24:37-39; II Peter 2:5

2 Yours is a message of love, fear not those that oppose you, as I told you this is not your work, but the work of the Lord. But be true to the trust the Lord has placed upon you, and all those that will help, God[2] will bless. The great day of judgment will soon be here, when God will judge the world in righteousness, and those that will oppose the message shall stand condemned before him.

3 The greater your love, the greater your work shall be before the Lord. Preach the gospel, teach the people repentance, that they may live in all righteousness before God, and that the temple must be built by people whose hearts are filled with love, and whose hearts are pure and their hands clean. God will not accept the work of men who are filled with evil, selfishness, and strife, this is an abomination before him.

4 Let your brethren labor in love with you, each in his place and calling; go from place to place, and house to house, warn the people. If you are humble before the Lord your God, he will lead you and direct you from day to day. Remember Satan will tempt you, and he will try you, and many times your faith will be weak, but if you will not yield to the things Satan will bring before you, then your faith will become strong; others have yielded to the whisperings of Satan and where are they?

5 Go to those that are burdened in spirit, encourage the downcast. Love[3] is you message, for that was the message of Christ. Let all labor who can, that the work of preparing a people may go on in haste, for Christ's coming is near. The temple will be built by a people that are prepared; some will try to build it, but it will come to naught."

6 The plans on the temple, that were here given, we were commanded to leave out.

7 The plans I give you from time to time on the temple, give not that to the world, nor to the enemy who has rejected my message, and the Lord has rejected them as I told you. Place this with the message I gave you before, and I told you to hold it, but now give it to the people as a warning, for it shall come to pass. I will come to you from time to time to instruct you and give you the warning, for the time is near at hand when many things shall come to pass and you shall know it.

8 If you shall remain humble, these things shall be given to you from time to time. Take not the advice of men, for men's hearts are

[2] Psalms 9:8
[3] I John 4:7-11

filled with evil, they will lead you astray. Send the messages to the world, and those that labor with you will be blessed. Amen."

Seventeenth Message

The Messenger came to me November 17, 1929, at my home, 814 Pine Street, Port Huron, Michigan, and gave me further instruction relative to the plans and construction of the temple, which I was commanded to withhold until further instructions.

Eighteenth Message

The Messenger, John the Baptist, came to me at my home at 441 Rural Street, Port Huron, Michigan, January 6, 1930, at 12:45 a.m., and was with me till 2:50 a.m. He stayed in my room and instructed me to write the following message: . – Otto Fetting

1 "I come to you, my fellow servant. I am sent again in time of trouble, to warn you that Satan has filled the hearts of men with evil. There are those who have seen your life; their minds are dark; selfishness has filled their whole being and Satan is leading them away from the Lord and his work.

2 They have formed a band to destroy you and the message I have brought to you. They hate you and those that will accept the message of the Lord. This is the time when Satan has great power among men, and will try to destroy all good. Men and women are led to destruction[1] everywhere. This is the time the Lord spoke of when he said, 'Great power will be given to Satan.' This is the time when destruction will

[1] I Thessalonians 5:3

come to the earth. There is a cry of peace but there is no peace. War, contention, strife, hate and destruction is in the hearts of men everywhere.

3 The cleaning time has come. God, by his Spirit, will touch the honest in heart in all nations and will gather them together to prepare[2] a people that shall be his Church in very deed. I shall go before the Lord, to prepare the way and prepare a people to meet Christ. This is my work.

4 I have come to you. I have brought a message; some have accepted it, others are rejecting it; nevertheless, the words that I have brought are from the Lord. It will bring life, happiness and peace to some, and destruction to those that reject it.

5 Take the message as I told you, from house to house; many will be glad to heed it. Preach repentance and faith, for all must have faith in God and his work. All[3] must repent and be baptized for the remission of sin, the hands must be laid upon all, that the Spirit of God might come to the children of men in greater power, and it will to those that are humble and full of love and have great faith in God.

6 This is the sifting time. Men's hearts will be tried, but those that have faith in God, and will follow the instructions given, will be blessed.

7 The Lord has seen in you great faith. You have not heeded the advice of men. You have been firm to stand by the words the Lord has sent you, therefore, he has entrusted this work to you. Your faith will be tried more and more, but you must deliver this message I have given you. Let others carry it to the children of men.

8 Save your strength as I told you, that you might be spared to do the work the Lord has entrusted to your care. If you will not heed this warning, your time will be short.

9 Be kind to all men; this is God's work. He will direct. Only the pure in heart and the humble in spirit can assist in this great work, for this is only the beginning of the work that shall be done.

10 The Lord has chosen men to help you in this land, and in every nation under the sun, for he will gather the honest in heart from the nations of the earth.

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[2] Luke 1:17
[3] Matt. 28:19,20; Mark 16:15,16

11 There will come conditions[4] on the earth as have never been before. Labor shall rise up against those that give employment to them, and those that have shall withhold their support from the needy. Waste is everywhere, yet many shall go hungry, and many shall be in need.

12 Men[5] shall go to and fro. Hate against their fellowmen shall increase and they shall destroy the hand that feeds them. Let the wise go to the land, that they may escape the destructions[6] that shall come upon the cities; for it will come when the air will be on fire, and again the great war shall rage, for Satan will work in the hearts of men to destruction.

13 Fear not, the lord will set up his Church in its completeness, and those that are honest in heart will come into it. I laid my hands upon you that greater light, and greater power shall come to you. If you will be humble and continue to do the things the Lord shall send to you, this light and power shall come to you as you shall stand in need.

14 This message must be taken to England, to Wales, to Germany, to France, to Holland, to Mexico, to Canada, and all parts of this country. The Lord will gather out men by his Spirit and his Spirit will bear witness to you of their work. Many will be set apart to do this work.

15 In time other nations will be warned. Remember, as I told you, this is a time of haste[7]. Release yourself of those things that hinder you in this work, so that you may instruct the people; let your whole life be given to the warning of the people; let nothing stand in your way, for lives must be saved from destruction. Be pleasant in your work. Avoid the danger that shall come to you.

16 Have no part with men in the works of darkness, who are evil; they cannot help in this work, and in time their work will be known to all men. Let them repent lest they be lost. There are those that wish to rule by might. Verily I say unto you, they cannot rule by might, but they must rule by love.

17 I am John the Baptist. I am sent from God with full power and authority, to set in order, to prepare the way of the Christ that shall come, to warn the people of the things that shall come to pass, to preach the gospel, to set the Church in order. I come to you in light. I come to you

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[4] Matt. 24:21
[5] Daniel 12:4
[6] Zephaniah 3:6-8; Micah 5:11; III Nephi 21:14, 15
[7] Romans 9:28

in power. I come as the Messenger of the Lord, but I come to you in love. I come to save the people from destruction. Will they heed it?

18 I will come again; yes, I will come from time to time, for I must give the instructions. For this work came I to prepare the way, and much shall be given from time to time."

Nineteenth Message

The Messenger came at 12:10 a.m., and was with me till 12:55 a.m., February 28, 1930, at my home at 441 Rural Street, Port Huron, Michigan. – Otto Fetting

1 "I come to you with a message of warning. First, have no part in the work with those that reject the messages I have brought from the Lord.

2 Second, don't commit yourself to them; Satan will tempt you to do wrong. I will show you a vision of the world, and the nations in it."

3 It seems that I was in a large gathering in a city and everything was in commotion. There was fighting, and some were lying in the streets. It looked as if they had been killed. And it seemed as if everyone was in opposition and against the other. Things were in a general turmoil. Then that vision disappeared.

4 Then I saw a beautiful landscape; the very best of soil which was smooth and covered with a heavy growth of grass and clover. A beautiful scene. There was a man plowing with a pair of fine horses that seemed to be well fed. Good harness and plow. Everything seemed to be in the very best condition.

5 The man was in the prime of life. He had a beard and was well dressed and seemed to be in a perfect state of contentment. His wife came to him, also his child, about five years old. They seemed to bring him refreshments. They were also well dressed. As far as I could see, there seemed to be peace, happiness, contentment, and prosperity. The vision disappeared.

6 I don't know whether this was representing different conditions at different periods of time, or whether it was only in different locations.

The Messenger said: 7 “To them must go the warning that Christ’s coming is near. From it will the Lord gather the honest in heart.

8 Those who have rejected the message I have brought, their minds have become dark. They cannot see, for they are following the whisperings of Satan.

9 The temple will be built by a people whose hearts are pure. God will not accept any unclean thing; nor the work from men that will not follow the instructions given by his servant that he has sent.

10 But prepare ye a people for the Lord. Prepare a place of safety for the people of the Lord. Gather the honest in heart. Prepare a place, for there is no place among the wicked for God’s people to abide.

11 Moses[1] was hated by his own people, and those that should have been his friends became his enemies. This has been the case in all ages. So it is now, but be careful in your work, for they will seek to destroy you.

12 For one hundred years the Lord waited and yet they have not heeded his words, this people that profess his name; but the Lord will establish his Church in its fullness, and will do the work among the nations, but the work will be done in haste.

13 Those that have rejected the message have rejected the Lord, and the Lord has also rejected them and their work until they repent and are humble, and are baptized, that they may cleanse themselves of their sin.

14 Fear not man nor the works of man, but fear God and do right. Write no more to those that oppose the message I brought, but encourage those who are willing to do the things I have told you.

15 To all those that will repent and be baptized and prepare themselves and walk humbly, the promise is that they shall receive the greater light and power to carry on the work of the Lord.

16 Behold, there are those whose hearts are full of adultery and selfishness. There are those that have taken that which is not their own. There are those that hate their brother and seek to destroy him. Behold, I say unto you, the cannot have any part in this work, and are not of the household of faith.

17 Separate yourself from all those, and have no part with their works. If you will seek the Lord in prayer often, he will give you the light you

[1] Exodus 17:4

need. Save your strength. Be humble. Be wise in your work. Use love in your work, but yield not to the traditions of men.

18 I have come to you this time to encourage you in your work, but greater trials will come to you. Your faith will be tried more and more as this work will go on, for greater things will be done, and greater things will be required at your hands.

19 Many will help you, but others will oppose you and the message I have brought. Fear not Satan nor his works, but trust in the Lord and he will lead you.

20 Preach the gospel of life. Send it to all nations and people. See the wickedness of man. See Satan and his work. Again, look at the suffering of those who cannot help themselves.

21 I will come to you again shortly, and will direct you in the things that must be done.

22 I am John the Baptist. I am he that shall prepare the way, and direct in the Lord's work."

Twentieth Message

The Messenger was with me from 1 to 4:05 a.m., April 8, 1930, at the home of Brother J. G. Pointer, 1041 West Van Horn Road, Independence, Missouri. During this time he sat on the edge of my bed and I talked with him face to face. At 4:05 he commanded me to write the following message, remaining with me till 5:06 a.m. – Otto Fetting

1 "Arise and write the message I will give you, for great is the responsibility that I shall give you. Behold, the men whom God has chosen have rejected the call and trust the Lord has placed upon them.

2 In their hearts they have rejected the message I have brought from time to time, and they are not willing to be directed by the Lord their God, but they have hearkened to the voice of Satan and have followed him.

3 The authority and trust that God had placed upon those that have rejected the message that the Lord has sent, yea, I say unto you, it has been taken from them and the Lord has committed it to others, who at

this time are willing to heed the voice of the Lord, and the message I shall give you.

4 For great is the work that must be done, and God will direct in the work that shall be done. The Kingdom[2] of God shall be established in its fullness. But with this message there comes a message of warning, that those men that the Lord shall place in charge now, let them take heed lest they fail, for Satan will tempt them also.

5 As I told you, let C. A. Spilsbury be set apart with you and W. L. Gates, who has withdrawn from them. And let Thomas B. Nerren, William R. Dexter, W. P. Buckley, George A. Backus, and Joseph H. Camp be set apart at this time that the work might go on at present, and I will direct you as to the others whom God will chose to carry on his work. Let these men with you be set apart as apostles, but with it I say unto you and to them, be humble, that you might fill the office and calling the Lord has placed upon you.

6 And let Ralph E. Stone, Edwin G. Law, Arthur W. Bogue, A. O. MacArthur, Daniel Frappier and my servant, Dr. Curtis, be placed in charge of the bishop's office that the moneys so received may be in safe hands; and inasmuch as these men will be humble in their work, the Lord will bless them in their work, and much will be done to the glory of God.

7 Let the Church be established in other lands, that the gospel might be preached, and the warning be taken to all nations[3], as I shall direct you from time to time.

8 Let nothing disturb your minds; cast behind you the traditions of men. Let the hands[4] be laid upon those that I have told you, that the light and power of God may come to them to the extent that they will humble themselves, that light may come to them. Let the elders also be set apart, but let none take part in this work until they have come in by the door and have been baptized[5] for the remission of their sins, that they may be a pure people, and that God may use them in his work to his glory, and the carrying on of his work. Have no part with those that have rejected the message I have brought and will bring to you, for the Lord will direct in all things that shall be done.

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[2] Daniel 2:34-45
[3] Matt. 24:14
[4] Acts 13:2,3
[5] Acts 2:38; Moroni 6:1-4

9 Fear not about the temple; this is in the Lord's hands. Temples will be built that God has not commanded to build, but the Lord will direct in all things. He knows the hearts of men. Some who have rejected the message will repent; others will go to destruction.

10 Let your hearts be filled with love to all men. Many will accept the warning and will repent and will live lives that are pure before God.

11 The Lord has sent me to this home and to this place; the Lord will hear the prayers of his children. Save your strength, be humble all in your work, be true to the great trust the Lord has placed upon you, and the Lord will bless you by his Spirit and you with your brethren shall be a blessing to the world.

12 I will come to you from time to time. Fear not, many will help in the great work that is before you. Be at peace with all men and God will bless you and your labors. Amen."

Twenty-first Message

The Messenger, John the Baptist, came to me at my home, 441 Rural Street, Port Huron, Michigan, at 9:20 a.m., May 16, 1930, and was with me until 10:40 a.m. This was in the forenoon, the first time he has ever come to me in daytime. I had a good look at him. I asked him about the robe he wore, and he said it was the robe his father wore when he officiated in the temple in his day. I asked him a few more questions that I do not care to give, but I give you the message he told me to write. – Otto Fetting

1 "Fear not for the message I bring, for thus far the Lord has accepted the work you have done. Again the Lord has spoken and the warning is going to the world: Repent! Repent! for the Kingdom of God is among men.

2 A warning is given of Christ's coming that is near[1], remember the word he spoke to his servants of old. So does he speak to his servants now. The Lord has called you to do a work in this day and time as others have done in their day.

[1] Matt. 25:6

3 As Satan has tempted you in the past, so will he continue to tempt you, and to hinder the Lord's work. As he has tempted you, so will he also tempt your brethren that labor with you and all those that will help in taking this message of warning to the people.

4 As I told you in the Fourth Message, this power is at work to destroy. Watch ye and see, that you may understand the warning of the Lord.

5 The greater power[2] has not yet come, because the Church has not been established in its fullness. Prepare ye a people that the greater power may come to all that will prepare themselves.

6 As it was in the days of Moses[3], be ye ready for to go to a place of safety, for the Lord will direct. Set not your hearts on riches, for they will fade away. Let each one labor and save, but do this only from day to day, for trying times will come to all.

7 The Lord will direct his people, those that will trust him and obey him. I have again brought to you the authority of the Son of God, and the Lord has called you to do the work as the apostles of old. Remember, there is no greater power given to man than that of the Son of God, and he has entrusted this to you and your brethren. Therefore, keep it sacred, lest it will be taken from you, and this shall be your sign that it has been taken from you, for your hearts will be filled with selfishness and sin, and your minds will be darkness, and your hearts filled with unbelief.

8 Follow not the traditions[4] of men, for the Lord will direct in his own way. Seek not to please man, but keep the commandments of God. The Lord will direct further that the Church[5] will be established in its fullness, but prepare ye a people. As I told you, many will help in this work.

9 I have given you the plans of the temple. Remember, they are sacred, for this is the house of the Lord that shall be built, and it must be built as the Lord has directed you, therefore, keep these plans holy for the house that shall be holy unto the Lord. Let no man treat lightly the plans the Lord has sent to you.

10 Take warning, those that the Lord has called, let them be at work somewhere for the Lord has need of them. Let them preach[6] repentance

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[2] Matt. 10:8
[3] Exodus 12:51
[4] Colossians 2:8
[5] I Corinthians 12:28
[6] Luke 24:47

and warn the people. Seek not to please men but take your message in love to all men, and keep the commandments of God.

11 I am instructed of the Lord to instruct you in all things, that the Church will be established in its fullness, that the gospel will be preached to all nations and people. The Lord will lead and direct his people, those that will be humble and full of love and will be led.

12 Let C. C. Spilsbury, Philip A. Ely, C. H. Storey, A. E. Gratz, J. W. Savage, John Allshouse, Buel Payne, H. L. MacPherson, C. F. Hart, H. B. Miner, William Mather, Roy E. Fetting, Russel Ely, George Cummins, be set apart as elders. Let Harold Frazer, J. V. Johnson, and John Spilsbury be set apart to labor as priests in the Church. Let each one labor in his calling and with love in their hearts. Remember, the harvest is great and the sheaves are ungathered. Let the women seek to labor where they can, warn your friends and the stranger at your door.

13 Read the messages I have brought from time to time, study them, heed ye the warning that is given, teach it to all people, be ye united in your work, for nations are in distress and sorrow is in the hearts of many, and people and nations shall yet cry to the Lord for help.

14 Take no part in the craze of the world, but be wise in your work and supply yourself with that you stand in need of; keep out of debt and save, for the day will come that you will rejoice because you have heeded the warning.

15 Let those that have, pay their tithe[7] and offering that the work may go on and the warning be taken to all the world. For this is the Word of the Lord. He that will heed the warning will gain thereby. He that will not heed will suffer and lose in the end. Live in peace with all men, for the Lord will gather his elect, and bring them to a place of safety; for destruction will come.

16 Remember, the great controversy between Christ and Satan is on. This is the time when men's hearts will be tried. Take the message I have given you to the people and let them choose whom they will serve; but take it in love. Be ye humble in your work and true to the trust the Lord has placed upon you. Let righteousness and justice follow you wherever you go.

17 Remember, the Lord wants a tried people, therefore your path is hard at times; but the Lord will help you and direct you as your faith will be.

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[7] Malachi 3:8-11

18 I will come to you from time to time to direct in the great work that will be done. Be ye true to your call. As I say to you so say I to all. Amen."

Twenty-second Message

The Messenger came to me at my home, 441 Rural Street, Port Huron, Michigan, at 7:25 p.m., and left at 8:40 p.m., July 29, 1930. – Otto Fetting

1 "Satan[1] has delayed me three days in coming to you with the message I will give you. Write it, and send it to the world.

2 Remember, Satan has great power. He has enthroned himself in the minds of the people by the traditions[2] he has planted in the hearts of all men, and the pleasure[3] of the world, and pride; so that he has the controlling power among those that claim to love the Lord. Be not deceived by him.

3 I come to remind you of the warning I have brought, and this warning is to all people.

4 As you read the message I have brought, read the words of Christ and the prophets, for the same Lord has spoken. I have come[4] from the presence of the Lord your God. The words I speak are his words, the message I have brought is his message, a warning to all people, and nations. Change them not, for the Lord has sent them. You have been entrusted therewith. See that no man change them.

5 Fear not man, for he is as the grass of the field, here today and gone tomorrow. Fear God and keep his commandments, and it will be well with thee. The people must be warned. Take this message to the Jew and to the Gentile, for the time has come when the gospel must go to the Jew and to Israel as a people, for they[5] will again go to the land that God promised to them in the covenant he made with Abraham.

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[1] Daniel 10:13; I Thessalonians 2:18
[2] Alma 37:9
[3] II Timothy 3:1-4
[4] Luke 16:28-31
[5] Ezekiel 28:25, 26; Genesis 17:7, 8

6 For all must stand before the judgment to receive[6] as their works shall be, and all shall have a chance to save themselves from the wrath to come, for the prophet Daniel[7] spoke of this day and the things that shall come to pass.

7 Man will say, 'Oh that these things were hid from me, for my heart burneth within me and my bones are weak. What next will it be that shall come to pass?'

8 Some will say, 'How shall I know that this is of God?' Have you not read the prophets of old? Did Jesus not tell you of these times that you see? For the Lord has spoken and sent me with the message as in the days of Noah. Will you heed his words? Or will you reject it as in the days of old?

9 Verily, verily, the Lord has spoken, and it shall come to pass. It will be well with him that will follow his words in time of trouble; but sad will be the hearts that will follow their own way, and will say in their hearts, 'These things will never come to pass.'

10 Let those that come to the Church of Christ come in humility and prepare themselves to work in love, for God wants a humble people, for great is the work that is before you.

11 For thus the Lord commanded me to instruct you in all things, that you might send the warning to the people. Verily, verily, it is expedient that the gospel be taken to all nations and people, and a warning of Christ's coming. Many things will come to pass, for the Lord God has spoken, and has sent me as his messenger to prepare the way before him.

12 For the Lord Almighty will stretch forth his arm and will scourge the nations. Repent ye, for your wickedness has come up before the Lord[8] your God; for the Lord will cut short the time in righteousness, for there shall be wars, and plagues, and the destruction will come, for the Lord[9] will humble the people that they may inquire of him, and walk in his ways.

13 Young men[10] will suffer, and children will be fatherless, and women will weep for husbands, and all the world will lament and weep, and the

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[6] Matt. 16:27
[7] Daniel 12:1
[8] Romans 9:27, 28
[9] Isaiah 24:1,2
[10] James 5:1-7

rich will howl when their riches will fade away, yet Satan will work for he knows his days are short.

14 Remember: Zion shall not be moved out of her place, nor Jerusalem from her former dwelling place, for the Lord made a covenant[11] with Israel at Horeb, and he will gather his people that are obedient, in their land. And their cities shall again be cleansed and righteousness shall again be in its borders. And the Lord shall remember them, and they shall accept Christ as their Savior, and the gospel as their law forever.

15 And this nation shall be cleansed, and then shall it be Zion, for the Lord will bless this land and the people that will keep his commandments and walk in humility before him. But the heady and highminded he will visit with destruction, and those that have robbed the widow and fatherless, and have taken that which is not their own.

16 For there are those that have taken that which is not theirs, they have polluted the land with their unrighteousness, they have filled their hearts with vanities and unbelief, they have sought their own glory, therefore the Lord will not accept their offerings, and will not hearken unto their prayers, save it be a few who are humble before him.

17 Behold, they have taken that which is not their own; they have lied that they might get gain; they have taken from the aged, and they will not part with their substance to feed the poor and needy, but they have taken the widow's mite in unrighteousness and have used it for their pleasure, and the gospel work they have treated as naught, yet they have said, 'We love the Lord.'

18 Oh man, thou that profess the name of the Lord, remember the eyes of the Lord are upon you; you cannot continue in your unrighteous ways before the Lord your God who has created thee. He is longsuffering and full of mercy, but he will reward thee as thy works will be.

19 There are those that have robbed[12] the Lord of one-tenth of that which was the Lord's. They have taken it for their pleasure, and have said in their hearts, 'This is mine.' 'Hearken unto me, says the Lord your God, all that thou hast I have given thee, and I shall require one-tenth[13] thereof, that the poor that are poor indeed may be fed; that the gospel may be preached, and the Kingdom of God might be established on earth in its fullness, and the Church set in order in its completeness.'

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[11] Deuteronomy 5:2
[12] Malachi 3:8, 9
[13] Malachi 3:10; Luke 11:42

20 I have come to you to exhort you; to instruct you; to bring to you the words and instructions of the Lord; that all people may understand more clearly the words of the Lord, and the things that shall come to pass; for I am the Messenger of the Lord to prepare the people for his coming, and a place[14] to come to; to set the Church in order, and to instruct the people in humility that they may prepare themselves for his coming, for the Lord will bless those that will do the things he commands.

21 I have been sent to you, for you are of the seed of Abraham, and the Levites, thine forefathers, have ministered in the house of the Lord. Be thou humble, isolate yourself from the business world that you might commune with the Lord your God, for this is a day when trying times will come upon the earth.

22 Instruct the people as they shall come to you, to be humble and full of love; save your strength as I told you, or your time will be short.

23 I will come to you from time to time to bring light; to direct; to help; and instruct the people of the Lord; to warn the world, that none will have an excuse at the last day. Amen."

Twenty-third Message

The Messenger came to my home near Port Huron, Michigan, at 9:45 a.m., and left at 10:55 a.m., October 31, 1930. – Otto Fetting

1 "I have come to you from time to time to instruct you in the things that must be done, and to warn you of the many things that shall come to pass. The work is great that is before you and I will come to you often and give you line upon line that you may read it, and read the words of the Lord to the prophets of old when they spoke of these times. For this is the beginning of sorrow[15] spoken of by Christ, when he said, 'Take heed that no man deceive you.' For verily men's hearts are filled with evil, greed, selfishness, murder, hate and sin.

[14] Malachi 3:1
[15] Matt. 24:7, 8

2 Therefore, let your hearts be filled with love. Pray often that your humility may be seen and felt by all men, and fit yourselves for the great work that is before you, that God may use you to his glory and help bring others to the light.

3 Follow not after the traditions of men, for they will lead you to destruction. For Satan will do all in his power to blind[16] the mind of man to lead him away from God.

4 There are thousands who will accept the message the Lord has sent and the instructions I have brought to you, for the Lord will send his Spirit that will touch the hearts of men, and the Spirit that the Lord will give to his servants will bring peace to many.

5 Be not contentious[17] for this is Satan's work; work in love with one another and with all men. Warn the people of the things I told you and let them judge, for the Lord will require it at their hands.

6 Take the message from house to house as I told you, for this is a time of haste. Preach the gospel to the people in its fullness, for the Lord will give you the words to speak, but be humble in your work.

7 Let Thomas B. Nerren prepare to take the message the Lord has sent to you, and the authority the Lord has sent with the message, to England. Let him baptize and set apart William Memmott as an elder in the Church of Christ, and let him carry the message to others in that great nation, that the gospel might be preached in its fullness and the Church started, for the Lord has favored that nation, for truly many righteous are in its borders, and behold the king has been favored of the Lord, for his heart is filled with justice.

8 Let him go to Wales and baptize Thomas R. Jenkins, and set him apart as an elder in the Church of Christ, that he may take the gospel to others in his land, and the Church be started in that place. For the Lord has looked upon this man with favor because his heart is filled with love to God and his fellow man.

9 Let him go to Germany and take the message and authority to that nation, that the gospel may be preached in its fullness and the Church be started. Let him baptize Waldemar Korth and set him apart as an elder in the Church of Christ, and let this servant of the Lord take the message to other places in foreign lands, and to Holland, as the Lord will instruct

[16] II Corinthians 4:4; II Nephi 28:14-26
[17] I Corinthians 11:16; III Nephi 11:29

from time to time. But let Thomas B. Nerren not remain in the foreign land only for a short time as the Lord has need of him here, in his work, but let him remember that Satan will do all in his power to hinder him in his work. But let the message be taken in love, for trials will come to all.

10 Let George A. Backus go to the mountain states for a time, to assist in the work at that place, for the people are honest in heart, and many are seeking for the truth. Let them labor in love, for the Lord will direct in his work, and his servants, if they are humble before him.

11 Let C. A. Spilsbury take the message in Canada and the eastern states from city to city and place to place, and let E. G. Law assist him in this work, for the Lord has need of them.

12 Let A. E. Gratz and J. V. Roberts labor as they can from place to place, but let their work be to those that are yet in sin, preaching the gospel and taking the warning to the people, for many are honest in heart, and they will obey the message I have brought to you. But let them remember that danger is in their pathway, for Satan will do all in his power to hinder.

13 Let the pastors[18] be humble in their work that they may save their flocks, for Satan will seek to destroy and cause mistrust and destruction.

14 Let W. R. Dexter assist you in your work, and labor in the regions round about, that you might save your strength, for the Lord will be with you and direct you. Let no one be idle, for all must labor somewhere, or their mind will be in darkness, for the Lord will not assist an idler.

15 Let Joseph H. Camp labor in the southwest, as he can, for many are seeking for light, for the traditions of men have blinded them.

16 Let W. P. Buckley remain in the West, as his work is pleasing unto the Lord, but let those among whom he labors assist him in his work that the work may not suffer.

17 As you prepare the people, so shall also a place of safety be prepared, for the Lord will direct his people, and the law[19] shall go forth from the temple of the Lord to all nations and peace shall reign, but those that shall oppose the plans the Lord has given, will not be there.

18 Keep the law of the Lord in all things and keep ye the Sabbath day holy unto the Lord. Let your fastings be in humility that the Lord will hear your prayers in the hour of your need.

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[18] Jeremiah 23:1, 4
[19] Isaiah 2:2; Micah 4:2

19 Woe, ye cities, to whom I have come and have brought the warning of the Lord. Repent! Repent ye! and seek the Lord now. For the day cometh when ye shall repent with broken hearts to seek the Lord who will be slow to hear your cry.

20 I am the Messenger sent from the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, hear ye his words today, for he has spoken to all nations; he changes not; he will hear your prayers if you will serve him and keep his commandments. Give ear, O ye people of the earth; hear his warning today.

21 I will come to you from time to time until the Church is established in its fullness and the temple of the Lord is built, from which his law shall go to all nations. Be humble in your work, save your strength, as I told you, for your burdens will be hard to bear. Amen."

Twenty-fourth Message

The Messenger came to me at 9:45 a.m., Sunday, November 30, 1930, and was with me till 11:45 a.m., at my home near Port Huron, Michigan, and these are the words as he gave them to me, and told me to write them: – Otto Fetting

1 "I have come to you as a messenger from God. I have not come of myself, but the Lord your God has sent me. I am the Messenger of the Covenant. I came at the time of Christ to prepare the way before him, from the old to the new; again I am sent to prepare the way before Christ, and to bring the last[1], for this is the closing time. My message is to all people, and every nation, color or race.

2 I am John the Baptist. I am he that cried repentance in the wilderness. I am the Messenger spoken of by the prophets of old. I am the man sent from God, and my name is John. This I give to all people that they might know that I have come.

[1] Revelation 14:6, 7; Jacob 6:2

3 Let this message be taken to each nation and race in their own language and tongue, and their own color, for God looks upon the heart.

4 ‘Thus saith the Lord your God to the children of Israel: Be ye comforted, for I will gather[2] you from the north and from the south, and from the east and from the west, and from the islands of the sea, and will bring you again in your own land that I promised to your father Abraham.

5 I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation. But my wrath is not kindled against you forever, for behold the day has come when I will again show mercy, and will gather you in your land that I promised to your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. I will direct you, as in the days of Moses, and by mighty power and an outstretched arm I will manifest myself. I will not require of you the blood of bulls and goats and turtle doves, but I shall require of you to obey the gospel of love that was before preached by Abraham. You shall acknowledge Christ as your Messiah and the gospel as your law forever.

6 For behold, this is the time of restitution[3] and restoration of all things. I have sent my messenger to prepare the way before you, and I the Lord your God will direct you from time to time, for the message he has brought has come from my presence, and it shall be to Jew and Gentile and to all people, for I the Lord your God will again restore the earth to its former beauty, and Satan shall no more have power over the children of men, for my wrath is kindled against Satan forever.

7 Therefore, heed ye the warning I have sent, and repent ye, and keep the commandments, for Christ’s coming is near at hand, and destruction[4] will come upon the earth. Follow not after the traditions of men, for they will not save you.

8 I have sent John the Baptist, the son of Zacharias, in the spirit[5] and power of Elias, preparing the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to be just, for he is the Messenger of the Covenant to all people, for I the God of Israel am no respecter of persons, for all that will love the Lord, and keep the commandments that my Son has brought to earth are accepted of me.

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[2] III Nephi 20:13; Jeremiah 16:14, 15
[3] Acts 3:20, 21
[4] Zephaniah 3:6-8
[5] Luke 1:17

9 Behold, I am again establishing my Church and my Kingdom[6] upon earth, and my gospel shall again be preached in its fullness as in former years, and those that shall obey my law and keep my commandments shall be my people and I will be their God, and they shall not be in want, for I will bless their land and their flocks and will lead them as in days of old, for I will walk and talk with them, and they will weep no more, for sin shall not be there.

10 I have chosen the weak things[7] of this world, and the unlearned to bring about my purpose, that man may not glory in himself, for the wisdom of man knoweth not the foundations of the earth, nor the heavens what they contain; therefore, I the Lord your God have chosen those that are humble and full of love, who are willing to keep my commandments and heed not the advice of men, for I[8] have measured the heavens, and the foundation of the earth, and the sea, and will guard my children as the apple[9] of mine eye.

11 I will lead my people, those that will keep my commandments, and will direct them, for man cannot legislate laws, for his heart is filled with selfishness, but I require of him to keep my laws that I have given, for I the Lord your God will send my messenger from time to time until I have gathered my people.

12 I am again establishing my Church in its fullness, with twelve apostles and authority as in the days of old. And mine elders shall preach the gospel and teach the people as in former days. I will bless those that shall take the message I have sent and warn the people, and I will again manifest my power in healing, and my Spirit shall comfort their hearts.

13 Let George Buschlen be set apart as an elder, and let him labor among the people in the West. Let him forget the past and mention it no more, for I the Lord have pardoned those that repent, but let him remember that this work is sacred, therefore let him be sober in all his work.

14 Contend with no man but let your minds be at peace. Let Frederick Vowles be set apart also to care for the flock as an elder. Let Joseph Ripma prepare to take the field as a missionary in the spring as I the Lord will direct. Let C. H. Storey remember that God knoweth his heart, and will bless him if he will continue in his labors.'

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[6] Daniel 2:44; Matt. 6:10
[7] I Corinthians 1:27
[8] Isaiah 4:12-31
[9] Deuteronomy 32:9, 10

15 As you take the gospel to the Jew, take it in love. The Lord will direct you from time to time, and I will come to you from the Lord, but remember, Satan will do all he can to hinder your work.

16 And to you, my fellow servant, whom the Lord has chosen, and whose burdens are heavy, remember the Lord is your strength; in humility write your letters, and give advice to them, as the Lord has given it to you. Remember the many instructions I have brought to you that you have not been required to write, but which has filled your soul with joy and your mind with light, and has strengthened your faith. Let others carry the message I have brought to the children of men, but save your strength. The Lord will direct you from time to time. Send out no more of the Twenty-third Message until the correction has been made, for all things must be delivered as I gave them to you. Do also with this message as you did with the twenty-two, that every word may be correct. Let no man add to it, nor take from it, for this is the Word of the Lord.

17 Let the Voice of Warning be sent in peace, as you have done, for this is pleasing unto the Lord. This is the instruction of the Lord. Amen."

Twenty-fifth Message

The Messenger came to me at my home near Port Huron, Michigan, Sunday evening, March 29, 1931. These are the words as he gave them to me, and told me to write them: – Otto Fetting

1 "I have been sent to you from the Lord. Withhold not the words of the Lord from the inhabitants of the earth. Hearken and hear, ye people, for the Lord your God has spoken to all nations. Let no one stand between you and your God, lest you betray the trust the Lord has placed upon you.

2 Some will not believe until destruction[1] will come, and they will suffer therefrom. Remember, you will be hated by friends and loved ones, but for this cause were you born, for the work that is to be done is so great

[1] Luke 21:31-36; Jacob 6:2, 3

that man cannot comprehend it, for the glory of God shall yet be seen, and his power manifested.

3 The Lord has sent me to warn the nations, and after[2] this warning will come destruction, wars, pestilence, famine, and earthquakes, as never have been, for the Lord wants a holy people.

4 The Church of Christ shall receive greater power as I told you, and the Lord will draw the honest in heart to him by his Spirit, and they shall keep his law, for the gospel of Christ shall be preached to all nations and then shall the end come.

5 Go to the assembly in peace. Let your work be in love, for Satan shall try to discourage, and seek to destroy. Many will come to seek for truth. Let there be no contention among you, for the Lord shall require peace at your hands.

6 Let the message be taken from nation to nation, from state to state, from city to city, from house to house, from heart to heart, for all must be warned of the things that will come to pass.

7 There are those that doubt the message, and are discouraged, but if they will keep the commandments of the Lord, their reward is sure. There are those that are filled with traditions of men, and are deprived of many blessings. There are those that are a law unto themselves, they have no part in this work, for the Lord will not accept of them and their works.

8 There are those that have been slothful in their calling, and have treated lightly the message from the Lord. Let them repent, lest Satan darken their minds and the Lord reject them.

9 The Lord has seen your struggles, and the opposition of Satan, to destroy you and the Lord's work. Much has been accomplished, but greater work shall be done, for the time is short. Remain humble, heed not the advice of men, nor your friends or loved ones. Let those that hinder depart from you, for this is the Lord's work.

10 I have been instructed to direct the Lord's work, and the work that shall be done, and will come from time to time and direct the Lord's people as in the days of Moses.

11 The evil forces will seek to destroy you, and the Lord's work. The time will come when your life will be in greater danger, like Elijah[3] of

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[2] Malachi 4:5
[3] I Kings 19:1-3

old. As you meet in the assembly, counsel not your God, but seek ye counsel and wisdom at his hands.

12 Despise not the young in their efforts, nor speak ye lightly of the aged, for all must help, for the Lord will bless the humble, and will reward those that seek him in love.

13 The message I have brought from the Lord is to Catholic and Protestant, to Jew and Gentile, to bond and free, for all have gone away[4] from the commandments of the Lord, and the Lord is no respecter of persons.

14 Repent, ye ministers of pleasure, for your worship is not of the heart[5], your prayers are only from the lips, and an outward show, and this is an abomination unto the Lord. For your effort is to get gain[6] and your hearts are full of greed; therefore, the wrath of God is kindled against the hypocrite, and the hireling, for they shall receive the greater damnation, for the Lord will send a scourge and destruction in the land; and he shall cleanse the people of darkness and superstition and your mockery shall come to an end.

15 Many have said, 'Lord, Lord[7]', yet they have their idols in their hearts, and will not follow in the ways of their God. But the time will come when their cries shall be heard, when through suffering they will learn obedience.

16 I will come to you and instruct in the work that shall be done that all may labor in love. Let those that can take the message, rid themselves of debt, and the burdens of life, that they may be free to go as the Lord will direct.

17 Let each one save that the burdens may be lightened, and that the gospel message may be taken to Mexico, to Australia, to New Zealand. Let William R. Dexter labor in Chicago, and the regions round about, that the work may be started, and the warning go to that wicked city, for many are honest in heart.

18 Let Thomas Bennett and Robert Wilkins be set apart as elders in the Church of Christ, and let them labor in Toronto, and the region round about, for many are honest in heart. But their faith is weak and their hope has been blighted, because of the conditions of the past, but let them

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[4] Malachi 3:7; Mormon 8:28
[5] Matt. 15:7-9; II Nephi 27:25
[6] Micah 3:11, 12; Mormon 8:33
[7] Matt. 7:21-23

remember as they labor, that Satan will seek to tempt them, for he knows their weakness, therefore be ye strong, lest you destroy yourself.

19 Let Henry Humphrey labor as he can. Let him take the message from house to house. Let his work be in love, for many will be brought to the light.

20 Save your strength, for the Lord has a great work for his people. Be not discouraged, for the Lord will direct. Amen."

Twenty-sixth Message

The Messenger came to me at my home near Port Huron, Michigan, Sunday, June 21, 1931. These are the words as he gave them to me to write:
– Otto Fetting

1 "I have delayed my coming with this message, for the Lord knows your suffering, and your strength. The Lord sent me to you and not to another, for he knows your heart, and your life, and from childhood has watched over you, to do this work, which is very great; for no greater responsibility was ever placed upon man than taking the gospel to the nations of the earth in its purity; therefore, be true until your work is done, for God will be with you to finish your work if you will remain humble before him. Seek not to please man, nor fear man, for the Lord is your strength.

2 God has chosen you and your brethren as apostles in the Church of Christ. The work has been committed to you men to take it to the nations[1] of the earth, to establish churches in all nations, and to direct in all things as the Lord will direct you.

3 Remember, this is God's work and he will help you in your work, that the gospel may be preached and the message of warning of Christ's coming may go to all people. Let the message I have brought to you be translated and printed in all languages, that all may read and know that the Lord has sent me, and that no one will have an excuse at the judgment day. Let this be done as fast as you can. But see that it is translated correctly, for this the Lord has entrusted in your care.

[1] Matt. 24:14

4 Let no one treat lightly the message of the Lord, for his eyes are upon you and your work, and your thoughts cannot be hid. Let your work be done in soberness and firmness, but in humility and love.

5 See that all speak[2] the same thing. Let no one preach and teach the traditions[3] of men.

6 The Lord has placed the work of the churches and the preaching and teaching in the hands of the apostles as in the days of Christ when he was here; and the finances and the care of the poor and needy in the care of the bishops. Therefore see that the work is done as the Lord will direct. Let the elders preach the gospel, baptizing those that come to the Church of Christ. Let them labor among the people, healing[4] the sick, blessing[5] the children as they are brought to them. Let them lay their hands on them that the Lord may confirm their work by the Holy Ghost, that the Spirit of God may lead them in all truth.

7 Let the women[6] assist in the work by taking the message from house to house, that all may be warned.

8 Let John Allshouse, H. L. MacPherson, and Ray Griffith be set apart as apostles in the Church of Christ. Let them so arrange their home that nothing will hinder them from taking the message to the nations; for the time is at hand when the apostles will have to go to other nations. Therefore, arrange your home and set it in order. Remember, this is a time of haste.

9 Let P. A. Ely be set apart as a bishop, and J. V. Johnson and Harold Frazer as elders; but remember with this call will go added responsibility, for God requires humility, for he will direct.

10 Thus far your work has been accepted of the Lord. Wait for his direction in all things, lest he reject your work, for the Lord knoweth your needs.

11 Let those in Europe receive such help as can be given them from time to time, that the work may go on, until it has been fully established, for they are in need of messages. Let some of the German messages be sent here, that they may be taken to their own people.

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[2] I Corinthians 1:10
[3] II Timothy 4:3, 4; Mosiah 23:14
[4] Matt. 10:1
[5] Mark 10:16; Matt. 19:14, 15
[6] Philippians 4:3

12 There will be those from time to time that will hearken to the whisperings of Satan, and doubt will enter their minds, and they will reject the message the Lord has sent. Let man forsake his unrighteous ways, and cleanse his mind from evil thoughts, and seek after righteousness and justice, and peace with all men. For the Lord will not spare those that continue in their wickedness.

13 Let A. W. Bogue give all his time to the bishop's office, that the work may go on. Let him set his house in order that nothing may hinder him in his work. Let the work be more firmly established in Independence, for the time will come when the word of the law of the Lord will go forth from that place. Let the people repent and hearken to the words of the Lord, and God will pardon their mistakes, for there are many who are seeking for light and truth.

14 There are those who have been slothful in their calling. God has looked upon them in pity, but let them remember that God will reward everyone as his works shall be, and in time they will see their loss.

15 There are those who have contended about the assembly, for their hearts were not right; let them repent. The Lord will direct in his work. Let the Voice of Warning go in peace as I told you. Publish not your traditions, but send the message the Lord has sent.

16 Let George A. Backus go back to the mountain states as he is needed there now.

17 Remember the things I have told you. Read the messages. Study them, that you may know the will of the Lord, and save yourselves from the things that are coming to pass. Let no one be idle, that all may assist in the Lord's work.

18 I will come and direct as the Lord will have need of me. Be humble in your work. Take no part in the contentions of the world, but let your mind be at peace, that the Spirit of God may dwell in you, and prepare your mind to receive the words of the Lord. Amen."

Twenty-seventh Message

The Messenger came to me at my home near Port Huron, Michigan, September 2, 1931, and as with me from 11:30 a.m., till 12:30 p.m., and commanded me to write the following: – Otto Fetting

1 "I am the Messenger of the Lord. I have come from the presence of the Lord your God. John the Baptist is my name. I am a prophet of the Lord. Hear ye nations and repent of your sinful ways, for the Lord will not spare him that will continue to do evil. The heart of man is filled with iniquity, his mind with mischief. Selfishness and greed has brought murder and crime among you. Satan has done his work, and man has followed his way, therefore, he will reap the harvest he has sown.

2 Repent[1]! Repent! Oh ye slothful and disobedient. You have turned away from the laws of your God, and the commandments he has given. You have not heeded the promptings of the Spirit of the Lord, but your hearts have been filled with lusts of the flesh, and you have followed the spirit of the wicked one, and his works you have done.

3 The day of trouble is before you. Hate is in the heart of man. Nations have turned away from God, and Satan has control of the hearts of men, and he will bring to pass in his allotted time his work, for his time is short, when he will deceive[2] the nations no more.

4 For the Lord your God will establish his Kingdom[3] and his Church forever. The Lord has chosen whom he will, that his work might be done in righteousness. He will direct his people, those that will trust him and obey his commandments that he has given, and will give, from time to time.

5 Many hearts will be sad at times for some will not hearken to the words of the Lord, but in their way will they seek to direct and counsel the Lord and his work. Verily I say unto you, they have their reward.

6 There will be those that will help with all their might, and their reward is sure. The Lord will be with the humble, and with those who are filled with love.

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[1] Acts 26:20
[2] Revelations 20:13
[3] Daniel 2:44

7 Let none be idle for much must be done, for as I have told you this is a time of haste. Therefore, let Thomas Evanson, Clark Buckley, C. M. Beld, Joseph F. Cleveland, Paul Dexter, Ambrose C. DeWolf, Arthur W. Rathbone, be set apart as elders in the Church of Christ, and let them take the message to the people and nations, that they may be warned. Let Martin Huonker be set apart as an elder that he may labor in Germany and help to take the message to the honest in heart, for much must be done in that nation.

8 Let the messages I have brought to you be translated in Spanish, in Hebrew and in Norwegian and Swedish, so that the message can be taken to those nations in their own language and tongue, but see that it is translated correctly, for this is very important in this work. Much is required of you, and much will depend on the work that you shall do, for the Lord has entrusted this in your care. Isolate yourself that your mind may be at peace. Let others take the message and preach the gospel to the world.

9 There are those that will help in writing the message and assist in the translating. Let them do it.

10 Hear ye! Hear ye! Oh ye people of the Lord! Be humble in your work. Have your hearts filled with love for all men. Be ye at peace. Go to the land. Gather ye in groups where you can worship the Lord your God in peace, that the Spirit of God may remain among you. Use wisdom as you buy your land, lest those of the world will deceive you in your purchase.

11 For the Lord will gather the honest in heart from all nations, and he will cleanse this nation, that his people may live in peace, but avoid the cities les[4]t ye be caused to suffer with them.

12 Beware, be careful in your travels for Satan will seek to destroy and hinder the Lord's work that I told you to do. This is a time of turmoil and distress, for Satan will send destruction everywhere. Build ye upon the foundation Christ has laid.

13 Remember, there is safety in the light I have brought to you, therefore follow the instruction that I have given you. Let your mind be open to receive the words of the Lord, that his people may be directed in all things to their safety.

14 Prepare ye, that nations may be warned. Take the message from house to house, from city to city. Let the elders also take it to the country, that

[4] Zephaniah 3:6-8; III Nephi 21:14, 15

all may be warned, for the harvest is great. Let the Lord direct. He will provide.

15 I shall come again and instruct you. Amen."

Twenty-eighth Message

The Messenger came to me at my home near Port Huron, Michigan, January 24, 1932, and was with me from 11:45 a.m., to 12:45 p.m., and left the following message: – Otto Fetting

1 " 'Thus saith the Lord your God: Hearken ye nations and hear, ye inhabitants of the earth! Your sins have come up before me; you have rejected my laws and my commandments that I have given you, and instead you have heaped unto yourselves the traditions[1] and commandments of men[2]. Your hearts are filled with selfishness and murder, and divers kinds of sins. Satan has filled your hearts with doubts and unbelief, and he holds full sway in your hearts. Therefore, the whole earth is in commotion[3], and the honest in heart must suffer because of the unjust.

2 Therefore, thus saith the Lord your God to the humble, the honest in heart, to those that seek for truth and righteousness: Come[4] out of her lest ye suffer with the ungodly, and partake of her punishment; for my wrath is against the ungodly, against the liars and hypocrites and those that count my commandments as naught. I have sent the destroyer and devourer in the land, and I will punish the nations and the inhabitants of the earth, that they may become humble and inquire about me and my commandments.

3 I am God, I change not. My laws are to all nations and all people, and my word to all generations. Therefore have I given my gospel to be preached, that people might repent and come unto me, and I am again establishing my Church as in the days of old, and my Kingdom[5] shall never be destroyed.

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[1] Matt. 15:9
[2] Matt. 24:11
[3] Luke 21:25-28
[4] Revelations 18:4, 5
[5] Daniel 2:44

4 Come out of her ye that seek truth, for my word is truth and my law changes not. Christ will come to his own, and his Church, that is again being established as in the days of old. There is no other way than Christ's way; there is no church but his Church; all others are the works of men.

5 My temple will be built by those who will prepare themselves in righteousness and in humility, for none shall be accepted by me whose hearts are filled with unrighteousness. Holy, holy is my house that shall be built, and only that which is holy shall enter therein.

6 Thus saith the Lord your God: To my servants that I have chosen, be ye one. Let love fill your souls and humility be in your hearts. Contend not among you; let each one labor as I will direct, that my work may go on in haste. Let the twelve apostles that I have chosen and will choose, and the bishops counsel together often, for much will be required of you, for the great burden of the whole Church has been placed upon you. To all nations you must carry the message and warning I have sent, and the gathering of my people[6] from all nations to this land, and the Jew to his land, that Israel receive her portion as I have promised them.

7 Thus saith the Lord your God: I have sent my servant John to you with the message, for behold he is my choice, and for that purpose was he born, that he might take my message and my covenants that I have made. He shall prepare the way before Christ as in former days; John the Baptist is his name. All that he has brought and all that he shall bring has come from my presence, and my words[7] that I have sent shall judge you in the last day.

8 Let Joseph H. Camp labor as much as he can in Mexico and its borders; let Thomas B. Nerren labor in Canada and the western part; let W. L. Gates labor in Wisconsin and northwestern states; let C. A. Spilsbury labor in Toronto, Ontario, and eastern states; let Ray Griffith labor in Washington and coast states. The work that has been done by my servants, G. A. Backus and W. P. Buckley, has been pleasing unto me, and let them continue in their labors in the mountain states. Let H. L. MacPherson prepare his work and set his home in order that he may labor in New York and eastern coast states. Let

W.R. Dexter continue in his efforts at Chicago for much must be done in that wicked city. Let John Allshouse labor in Ohio, Indiana and the

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[6] Zachariah 8:7, 8
[7] John 12:48

South. Let my servant, Otto Fetting, continue his labors as I will direct from time to time, but let him remember the warning I have given him from time to time.

9 Let C. M. Schryer labor in western and central Michigan; let Robert Orme be set apart and labor in southern Missouri and Arkansas; let C. J. Crandall labor in Indiana and Ohio. Let James Beld be set apart and labor in Kentucky. Let Roy E. Fetting prepare himself in humility that he may be useful in my service and to my glory.

10 Let the work at Royal Oak and Detroit and round about continue, for much can yet be done, but let it be done in humility and love. Let the work in Toronto be done with much preaching on the street and from house to house; let the work in Independence and Kansas City be done by street preaching and messages from house to house.

11 Let the messages be printed in German, and as I have told you, that the work may be carried on in haste, and I the Lord your God will direct you in the future as to my work that shall be done if you will live in humility before me.

12 Let the assembly be held in peace; contend not among yourselves, for this is my work, and I the Lord your God will direct your way, if you will have faith in my words. Let the bishops be humble, not slothful; let them read the messages I have sent that their work might be plain before them.

13 Much will come to pass and much sorrow; go to the land for it will be the best, that you may have food; be content with that you will have from time to time, for sorrow will come.

14 I the Lord will direct you as to other nations and their work, for the warning must go to all. Fill your hearts with love, weep with those that weep, and rejoice that ye are the children of your God.'

15 These words was I instructed to bring to you from the Lord. I am your fellow servant, and a messenger sent from the presence of the Lord your God. I will come to you from time to time; save your strength; be mindful of the many instructions I have brought to you from the Lord, and if you will do this the Spirit of the Lord will be with you in your work. Amen."

Twenty-ninth Message

The Messenger came to me at my home, near Port Huron, Michigan, September 9, 1932, and was with me from 3 p.m., to 3:40 p.m., and left the following message: – Otto Fetting

1 "I am sent to you with the words of the Lord. I have come to instruct you and the Church and bring a warning to all the people, for all nations must be warned of the things[1] that are coming upon the earth, for all must know the will of the Lord.

2 As you talk to the people be in earnest, that they may not treat the message lightly, but be pleasant as you meet the people, for they have been led away by the traditions[2] of men, and have suffered much by their folly.

3 For thus says the Lord, 'I have given my commandments to those that have named my name[3] to serve me, and have made a covenant with me. I speak to those that are the Church of Christ and to all that will become my people and my bride[4]. I have given to mine apostles their charge, and instructed them to do my work in all the world. Be ye not slothful in your work, for I shall require it at your hands at the last day.

4 I have given to mine elders their work, and I shall require it of them in the last day; therefore, be ye not slothful lest you lose your reward.

5 I have given to the bishops their work and mission, and I shall also require their stewardship at the last day, for the Lord has entrusted this great work to you that his law shall be kept; be ye therefore not slothful for your work is no idle tale.

6 I have given the women their work that the message might be taken to the homes that all may be warned, for I have heard the cries of the people that have been led away by the traditions of men, and my Spirit shall feel after them.

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[11] Matt. 24 all
[2] Timothy 4:3, 4
[3] II Timothy 2:19
[4] Matt. 25:1-10

7 Find not fault[5] with one another, for all have their work to do and I the Lord shall require it at the last day.

8 Contend not about local work for your work is to all people and nations, and this I say to all.

9 The contentions of the world will grow worse and worse, and your faith will be tried as that of Job; but be ye the children of peace.

10 Destruction will follow after destruction[6], bloodshed, famine, storms and floods; yea, men will rise up against their fellowmen and smite them. Pestilence and plagues will sweep the nations. Again shall come contentions after contentions, but have ye no part in them for your mission is one of peace[7].'

11 Send a man to Europe next year that the Church may be more fully established there, for they are in need of help, for the Lord will bless their work.

12 Worry not about the temple, for there are those whose hearts are filled with hate, selfishness, jealousy, strife and contention; verily, I say unto you and to them, they shall not hinder when the day cometh when the Lord will build his house. Therefore, keep the plans sacred that the Lord has committed to you.

13 Let Harold Frazer be set apart as a bishop, that the work in Toronto and Canada may not suffer, but let him counsel with all the bishops that as one man they may see all their work.

14 Let the work continue in Detroit and regions far and near, for many are seeking for truth.

15 Isolate yourself, for I have many things to give you, but the Lord knows your strength, and I will come again to you shortly."

THE VISION

September 29, 1932, at 2 a.m., the Messenger came to my home near Port Huron, Michigan, and said:

16 "Come with me and I will show you things that shall be hereafter."

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[5] Luke 6:41, 42
[6] Isaiah 24 all
[7] Romans 12:18

17 It seemed we traveled eastward like one who is gently floating down a stream of water till we came to flat stone lying on the top of a high mountain. Both the Messenger and I sat down on this stone, and looking north from this place an immense panorama of landscape, rivers, lakes, large bodies of water and cities opened before our eyes. Far in the distance we saw a beautifully lighted city, so well lighted that even the alleys and darker portions of the city were clearly discernable. The city was built upon seven hills[8] and we saw thousands of people walking in its streets.

18 We saw a man[9] sitting in a large chair in the shape of a throne. He was dressed in linen and wore a skullcap of the same material. Around his neck was a string of pearly beads, his fingers were bedecked with gold and diamonds, while upon his wrists hung huge bracelets of gold also studded with diamonds. Many of those who were walking the streets had come from other nations bringing their moneys in the form of gold, silver and currency. These they brought and laid at the feet of the man who sat upon the throne, kissing his hands and feet, piling the gold, silver and currency separately in huge piles all around him.

19 The Messenger said, "With the money, the people have brought to the man that sits upon his throne, he has bought himself great power in all nations, and he has now the ruling power in the United States."

20 I observed that this man who sat upon the throne would at times send out messages to all churches purporting to make peace, but all his messages were sent out with a view of furthering his own interests to his own gain. However, when he saw that he could not accomplish his purposes by this means, he started war among the nations.

21 Some nations[10] joined him wholeheartedly, others became divided, still others took but little part in it at first. England and Germany were divided into two factions, one faction of each nation going with the armies of the man who sat upon his throne, the others going with the armies who opposed him. Norway, Sweden, Holland and Switzerland took but little part at first, but later all nations became involved during which time there was much fighting and bloodshed in the United States.

22 When the war started, the man upon his throne changed his robe and cap to that of purple, and these words appeared in the heavens, "SEVEN YEARS." And they brought him a golden cup on which was written,

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[8] Revelations 17:9, 18
[9] II Thessalonians 2:3, 4
[10] Revelations 17:12-14

"THE BLOOD OF THE RIGHTEOUS MEN," and he drank the contents of it. A little later they brought him a smaller cup on which was written, "THE BLOOD OF SAINTS[11]," and he also drank the contents of it.

23 Through the long, hotly contested and bloody battles the armies of both the man who sat upon his throne and his enemies became weakened, and the seat of the conflict changed. There appeared in the north and east a great army to fight against the man who sat upon his throne. This army was terrible and the man who sat upon his throne changed his robe and cap to those of scarlet, and the people who had formerly opposed him began to migrate to the United States, coming from England, Germany and other nations. Parts of Germany and England, with the whole of the United States became one nation in purpose, and there was great peace in the United States. The British Empire never became united again, as a nation.

24 But the armies from the north and east were strong, and their fighting was brutal, much more brutal than was the fighting during the first war waged against the man who sat upon his throne. After these armies had fought for some time these words again appeared in the heavens: "SEVEN YEARS" and shortly after, these words appeared, "BLESSED ARE THE DEAD[12] FOR THEY SHALL REST IN PEACE."

25 Then there appeared in the heavens, angels[13] with large vials or bottles, and poured some of the contents down upon the armies, and there arose a great smoke red as blood, and a stench that was terrible, of human flesh, and the armies fought all the harder.

26 As we sat there and looked upon this terrible scene, the Messenger said, "These things shall come to pass hereafter." Then there appeared a large black cloud that shut out our vision; we turned to the east and Christ appeared in the heavens going west. I followed him with my eye as he continued west, and in the far off west I could see the temple, its walls and dome glittering in the distance, and there was wonderful peace. We returned to my home and the Messenger said, "Write what you have seen and I will be back." He left and the clock struck 4 a.m.

The Messenger came to me at my home, near Port Huron, Michigan, October 25, 1932, and was with me about twelve minutes, and left the balance of the message:

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[11] Revelation 13:7
[12] Revelation 14:13
[13] Revelation 15:6, 7

27 “The things I have shown you, place them with the rest that are now in print, that all may know what shall be hereafter, and that the Lord has sent me from time to time, for they will surely come to pass.

28 Heed ye not the prophecies of man, lest they deceived you, but keep the commandments of the Lord.

29 Worry not, and fret not yourself about those that heed not the message; their time will come when to their sorrow and regret they shall know the Lord has spoken.

30 Be ye saving in your traveling, lest ye be burdensome[14] to the people; send your moneys as tithing and offerings to the treasury of the Lord that the bishop may have means, that others may go and take the message.

31 Save yourself, let others care for the messages; make your burdens light, that you may receive the words of the Lord from time to time.

32 Many shall weep and lament, and shall seek counsel, for sad are the days that are coming on the earth.

33 I shall come from time to time to instruct you of the things that shall be.

34 I am John the Baptist, the Messenger of the Lord, to prepare the way before him.”

[14] II Corinthians 12:14

Thirtieth Message

At 9:25 a.m., January 28, 1933, the Messenger came to my home near Port Huron, Michigan, and left the following message: – Otto Fetting

1 " 'Thus saith the Lord, let my servants, Bennett, Bronson, and Thornton, be set apart[1] to fill the vacancies in my house as apostles. Let the old and the young remember that humility must be their mantle, for charity knoweth no evil. Let my servant, Armstrong, labor as an elder until a vacancy shall come. If he is faithful to the trust, he shall occupy with the twelve.

2 I have given the plans for the temple, but my people are not worthy or cannot enter therein.

3 Thus says the Lord, I will not leave my people if they will keep my commandments and serve me as I have instructed you; yea, my Spirit touches the hearts of many who have no understanding of my law. I have heard the prayers of my people and all is in my hands.' "

At this juncture the Messenger left. He said he would be back and spare me a little longer. He returned and gave what follows:

4 " 'Thus says the Lord, You must all drink[2] of the bitter cup that you might know that which my Son has suffered, for behold the crown is after you have fought the fight. Speak not evil of your brother nor of your fellowman whose mind is still dark. Go to them in love. Glorify the world by righteousness; enlighten your mind by humility. Love always. Hate is not your work. I have called you to save the world. According to your humility and faithfulness in keeping my commandments so far you will accomplish; if you fail you have failed yourself[3].

5 Some are not true; some have been and will be true; others have failed. Contend not among yourselves, but be in unison, for contention[4] will destroy hope. It is an important time, that my message that I have sent be

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[1] Acts 13:2
[2] Matt. 20:22, 23
[3] Helaman 14:30, 31
[4] Titus 3:9

taken to all parts of the world, that each one must labor with all of their might[5].

6 I have established my Church in 1929 anew. I have given the message and it must be obeyed. All else is of man and I cannot, and will not accept the follies[6] and traditions of men for my work is a holy work and man must first be made holy[7].

7 Meet in your assembly and cry mightily unto me. If your prayer is of the heart, I will hear you. I will not accept the vain babblings and sputterings of the lips of man whose prayer is not sincere. I have placed the mountain and the ocean and planted the forest. I have beautified the earth and man through sin has sought to destroy it. How can I rely upon the untrue and the unfaithful? Their prayers and their tears and their efforts are not accepted of me.

8 Ye have sought for greater power and ye have not prepared for it; your vision, your understanding and your minds have not been illuminated yet because your hearts are still filled with selfishness. Rid your minds of evil thoughts, your hearts of selfish pride. Come closer to me; ye are yet too far away; and I will touch you and greater light and greater power and greater strength will come.

9 Publish the Fourth Message. What is it to you? Your riches have faded as I told you. The abominations are coming. All will come as I have told you. You have labored, but you have labored too hard. Therefore, your body and your mind have lost their strength, but you have been true to the trust I gave you. Therefore, I have not forsaken you. It has been a special mission and a special work to which I have called you. Because of your unselfishness you have not sought the honor of men. I will water the seed thou hast sown and it shall bring forth. Amen.' "

This was presented to me by the Messenger and I read it as the Messenger unrolled the roll which he had shown me the previous night on which was written, "The Word of the Lord.
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(Signed) OTTO FETTING.

[5] Jacob 5:62
[6] II Timothy 3:7-9
[7] Romans 12:1

TESTIMONY

The testimony of four witnesses to the Thirtieth Message as delivered by the Messenger sent from God.

Be it known unto all nations, kindreds, tongues, and people, unto whom this message shall come, that we the undersigned were in the room at the time the Messenger, spoken of in the message, came into the room, and held the Roll from which Otto Fetting read the Word of the Lord, spoken of in the Thirtieth Message. We felt the presence of the Messenger as he held the Roll, and we heard the Word of the Lord delivered from the Roll, by the mouth of Otto Fetting whom God used as his human agent.

W. R. DEXTER,
ROY E. FETTING,
JENNIE M. FETTING,
ELIZABETH M. MILLS.

Subscribed and affirmed before me, a Notary Public, in and for the County of St. Clair and the State of Michigan, this 8th day of March, A. D. 1933.

RUSSELL A. YOUNG.

My commission expires June 23, 1934.

THE PASSING OF OTTO FETTING

Otto Fetting entered into his rest at 1:53 a.m., Monday, January 30, 1933. He had been failing in health for over a year, but became very ill one week before his death. He was born November 20, 1871, in St. Clair County, Michigan.

From February 9, 1891, the day of his baptism and the beginning of his work in the restored gospel, to the day of his death, he devoted much time and material wealth to the support of that great work. From 1899 until the end he held the priesthood.

On February 4, 1927, the Lord sent his Messenger to our brother and conferred upon him a great commission and responsibility such as few men of this day have carried. Through scorn and scoffing, hardship and suffering, he proclaimed the message brought by the Messenger of the Lord, that a perplexed and dying world might be led to the light.

He sealed his testimony to the divinity of the message on a bed of suffering when the Messenger came with the thirtieth message. Within an hour of the giving of the message Brother Fetting signed his name for the last time on earth and admonished his loved ones to stand by the Word of the Lord.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Independence, Missouri, June 17, 1940

In all sincereness I make this solemn declaration before my Lord this day, he being my witness also my judge. I expect to stand before the great and pleasing bar of God to answer for what I may say herein.

The manifestations, experiences, and words of the visits of the Messenger are true; I have seen him from time to time; I have heard his voice; I have seen his face; I have seen the light that accompanies him which precedes his appearance and remains after he leaves, sometimes for an hour or more; I have felt his touch on my shoulder, and in holding to my hand; I have been enwrapped in that wonderful heavenly and divine power of God.

I want to make this statement that everyone may know that this is true. I do not fear the hereafter, and I cannot nor will not deny the things that I have seen and heard from this heavenly source, the Messenger, as long as I have my right mind and God gives me life and his grace to endure here on earth.

I may have been misunderstood by those who should be my fellows and I may have failed in some things in the past, still others may make statements about me but I want this to be understood that this statement is true, and I shall abide by the advice and instruction given by the Messenger regardless of what man or men may say.

The Messenger wears a white robe, his hair is a tiny bit gold next to his skin and blended to whiteness like pure wool, white as snow, his eyes are like a flame and his feet like the brightness of fine

brass, as if they were ablaze; his voice has the sound of one having authority; his countenance is as the brightness of the sun with its greatness in light, even brighter than light that shineth down on the earth. He is enveloped in light and immediately around him it is very bright.

I wish all could see or feel the sweet powerful influence that comes with this heavenly one and surely all doubt would flee from the minds of natural man.

Peace to all and may the Lord's will be done. These are my words to you this day and may the Spirit of God bear witness.

(Signed) W. A. Draves

Thirty-first Message

A messenger of the Lord came to me at my home, Nucla, Colorado, Monday morning, October 4, 1937.

Sunday night, after coming home from church, I retired with earnest prayer from my heart, asking God for direction and that I might live to please him. I also thanked him greatly for the blessings I had received.

I had awakened several times in the night and went back to sleep praying. I awakened with a start, hearing footsteps on the ground floor. I raised up in bed and looking toward the staircase I noticed a light coming or beginning to shine up the stairway. I was somewhat astonished to think someone would be walking in my house, when I knew I had locked the doors. Immediately I saw it was a man dressed in a white robe, and with no light in his hand as I had supposed. A light seemed to radiate from him, lighting the whole room, while immediately around him it was much brighter. His beard was radiant, his eyes which shone like neon light, though piercing and bright, were gentle and pleasant, his looks kind. I was somewhat afraid, but his smile helped to drive away my fear. I thought perhaps it may be an angel of God. When he appeared on the top stair he seemed to float quickly to my bedside, I trembled and pulled the covers to my chest while sitting up in bed. He smiled and began to speak kindly. His tone was convincing and his voice slightly heavier than that of an ordinary man. When he spoke I seemed to be lifted in space, yet I knew I remained on the bed. Although this happened so very quickly, all fear had left me and I set my faculties to give attention and listen carefully. (This was first reported as a dream or vision but later events proved it to be neither a dream nor vision but a reality.) He said:
-- W.A. Draves

1 “Fear not, let peace be with you; your prayers have been heard; God hears the prayers of his children; he knows your hearts before you ask. Some are pleading to him in your behalf, and God has looked on you in favor. The year has been good to you. Blessings have been yours to enjoy. Yea, be humble before your God.

2 Truly God has used you as an instrument in his hands—by the power of that righteous Spirit he spoke through you. Many have obeyed his voice. Many have been made glad and some have gone through sadness and will, before they will hear him, but God will not fail the honest—those that seek him diligently. Seek him early while it is called today. Man is all selfishness unless he is filled with the Spirit of God.”

At this juncture the visitor raised his right arm and seemed to reach almost over me swaying his arm gently. I watched every move he made

and especially his lips as he spoke on with sternness and firmness as one speaking the truth.

3 " 'Now hear ye the words of the Lord, all that tremble in his sight, and at his word. Yea, seek me and walk righteously before me, heed my voice and great shall be your blessings. Remember your Lord and Master who drank of the bitter cup—all must drink of the cup of trial[1] to know what I have suffered[2] for you. Lift high your banner, hold firmly to the iron rod[3]. Yea, the righteous call unto me and my countenance shines upon them.

4 I say unto thee all, for none have progressed as I would have you, the longing in your hearts is still unsatisfied because of that which brought broken confidence in each other and discouragement and shaken hope; thus speaking hard of each other, making hardness of heart. Behold, I would have you love one another; do good to them that despitefully use you.

5 My sheep know my voice; many false delusions are going out; but again I say my sheep know my voice and heareth not another[4]. Some have lost their affections for my work. This ye must not do, but uphold my work, or darkness will shake you one and all, and the gathering you long to accomplish shall come to naught. I know your desires; yea, when seasoned by my Spirit, much good will come of your works. Humble yourselves more before me. In not doing this, ye do foolishly before me.

6 Stand more firmly together, for I desire it of thee, that you may stand when greater powers of darkness shall come over you. Yea it is, that dark clouds of deceitfulness and dangerous sayings shall come among you, which shall try many and some may fall. Pray for thy brethren. Cry unto God.

7 Indeed the angel that revived the work is still at the helm, and verily has not come since the visit with the message, that all must drink of the bitter cup, to thy brother Fetting, but shall come again. Yea, and indeed, I, your Maker, knoweth all that taketh place. When ye hear it said, "A shining light." "A great star." I say unto you, know ye this, it is not of me; be not deceived by it.

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[1] I Peter 1:6, 7
[2] Isaiah 53:3, 4
[3] I Nephi 11:25
[4] John 10:4, 5

8 Much is folly before me and man is nothing of good when he heeds[5] not my voice. Know ye the witness of my Spirit, how that it caused the hearts of men to mellow[6] before me. Is this Spirit still with you? Heed ye the still small voice and the promptings of the divine Spirit. Be not conformed to the works[7] of darkness nor the ways of the world. Work with an eye single to my glory; when I speak answer by your actions; abide in my doctrine; let your words and deeds be that to my honor and glory. Return your love and service to me that your works may show your faith.

9 Ye that name my name give thanks unto your Master; in so doing I will bless you that you will be a blessing, and bless others. Let my Spirit rule your lives. Be ye longsuffering. Be not as sounding brass and tinkling cymbal. Be filled with charity[8] and let peace rule your minds and your lives. The fire of joy shall burn within you. Yea, the Lord will walk and talk with those that keep his law in fullness. Seek not the praise of men. Be not heady nor highminded. Seek to do good. A good tree cannot bear corrupt fruit, nor a corrupt tree, good fruit.

10 Verily, the courts from above have sounded these words, and you have heard. Yea, be at peace, let not your heart be troubled. Be at peace with all men. Hear the words that are true and faithful, sent from the realms above.' "

By this time I was fully convinced that my visitor was an angel. As he spoke the last words he floated back to the head of the stairs, directly in front of a window. I rubbed my eyes, hoping to get a better look at him and then to ask his name, should he pause, but I could see him no more. The light remained in the room for an hour or more. I fell asleep and when I awakened the influence remained with power and as I write I can feel the tingling influence of that Spirit. This is as near correct as I can remember and I think it is all given.

[5] I Corinthians 3:19
[6] Luke 6:35
[7] James 2:18
[8] I Corinthians 13:1-8

Thirty-second Message

Given Wednesday night, January 5, 1938.

Last night, shortly after 9 o'clock, I was awakened by a heavenly being who stood by my bedside. I turned to hear him speak. I seemed to know he had something for me. I was not frightened when I saw him. I had seen him before on the night of October 3, 1937, and he left a message at that time. He spoke calmly, yet with power and with kindness. He said: -- W.A. Draves

1 "With peace I come to you as a servant of God. I come to do his will, to prophesy. I bring a message at this time.

2 'Again the Lord has heard your prayers; yea, he hears the prayers of his children that are from the heart; many call on him, them he shall hear. Your testimony of this work is true, you are not deceived. You must remember to be humble, let righteousness speak your testimony to others. Yea, I, your God, have raised thee up as a witness and an evidence to my people, and thee and thy family; that the power of God can save and bring the righteous to victory. I have guarded thy ways and inspired thy thoughts in the past. I have watched over thee, but the adversary of my work from the beginning hath taken note of that which thou hath thought to accomplish; yea, therefore, be humble, even all; be contrite, seek earnestly for wisdom, for understanding, and for greater knowledge. Be at watch and you shall have my Spirit and you shall not be deceived. Pray often and the dark powers shall not oppose to destruction. Remember, your work is peculiar, even amongst your brethren.

3 Behold, my Church hath passed through great trials and darkness. Falseness has brought priestcraft among my children. Many weep because of this power and their prayers have been heard. Yea, darkness shall recede and spiritual light shall retrieve. Many shall be made strong; greater understanding is sought for and shall be theirs to enjoy to happiness and peace, for lo, false prophecy has divided you as a dark hand and has wrought its work, and my Church has wavered because of it, making weaker the faith of some; but I your Lord, doth not work in subtle manner. Woe[1] to those that seek high positions. Follow not after that which bringeth discouragement among those that have named my name, but lift up your hearts and strengthen your faith.

[1] Luke 18:14

4 My ministry must seek me much and be very humble, eliminate selfishness, do my bidding, that which is just and right, for my Kingdom children's sake. Be not conceited but give ye as cheerful givers. Take courage, all ye that are weary, fail not to show your affection for me, your Lord and God. My love is for you one and all. Hold fast to my truths which shall stand even through darkness. I will not leave thee alone. I shall give testimonies of great truths to you and to many. I shall call many honest, many humble, many with knowledge and understanding, for yet my house shall be built; my temple, a haven of rest, a refuge. Oh ye one and all, my servants, seek to please me and not man. Humbly come ye together.

5 To my Nucla saints: I spoke once with a testimony of tongues, yet my people heard me not, by their actions. But I know your hearts, that which hinders shall not hinder longer. Build ye the storehouse that shall bring a blessing to many. Shake off the shackles of contention, and labor. Behold, it shall be done, those that stand in the way shall hinder no more. The weakness and folly of some has caused my work to suffer; this shall not continue.

6 Verily, verily, ye say ye love me. Where is your God that created thee? Know ye not that I know thee and know your whereabouts? I led many from the way of darkness and ye have contended selfishly to your woe, driving the good Spirit away; and doubt has entered the minds of some. Some that say they are not accountable for their folly; this is not of me, your living God.

7 I speak these words of truth and they shall have their place among my children. Yea, trust me ye flocks, and I shall bear thee up at the last day. I am your God, I change not. I love thee and shall bless much, as your faith is. I leave my peace upon you.' "

He left—but the influence of his presence remained and as I write this down, I feel that good Spirit, even in power, causing me to tremble in the sight of the Lord.

Thirty-third Message

January 30, 1938, at my home, Nucla, Colorado.
At 11:30 I was awakened by a heavenly messenger that stood by my bedside and took hold of my left shoulder. When he touched me I awoke. It seemed as light as noonday in the room. I looked at the clock and then at him. He said:
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and write the message I will give you."

He paused as I arose and took a pencil from my clothes by my bedside, then paper from my suitcase from under the bed. In all this I had the most wonderful, peaceful feeling. We both sat on the bedside facing the east. I had books and papers on the floor nearby. He reached and handed a book to me to rest the paper on while writing.

I began to feel very weak in the presence of the divine, I could scarcely keep the tears back. Silently I prayed for strength, saying, "Lord I'm weak, if I do this I need help." I asked Him to bless me. I found strength and courage and it seemed much more pleasant to be at the side of this divine being. He said:

2 "I have come to you at my appointings. I have brought and bring to you words of the Lord your God. I come to prophesy.

3 'You failed to write all that I gave you before. This you must not do. It is expedient that the words I give in this language, be given, for they must have their place and their bearing among my children.' "

At this I looked at him. He smiled which invited me to speak. I said, "I failed I know, until later, then I feared I would not get it correct." He smiled again. He spoke with kindness yet with sternness that caused me to feel my guilt. He said:

4 "You feared your brethren, let not man's weakness cause the work of God to suffer. This has been the failing in the past, with selfishness and the weakness of humanity. But God knoweth the hearts that are honest.

5 'A dark hand has been over my people, a hand of deception which has brought great sorrow and grief to many. Some have thought to run before the Lord, seeking prominency. This to the discouragement of many and to the driving away of some. These weaknesses have been spoken of by

my messenger to Otto Fetting. Some have overcome them while others have been overcome with them, saith the Lord.

6 Behold the day is, and nigh at hand, when the prophecies of old are being fulfilled. Nations shall yet be brought down, and lo, a mighty cry shall come from them that fall[1]. The hearts of men must be turned to their Maker, the Creator of all.

7 Yea, the just will suffer[2] with the unjust lest they draw away from such, and not take part in contentions and dark sayings. The plagues[3] shall sweep the nations, and floods shall have their course, and famines shall take their place again. The plague of death in war has its effect on the nations. Many are taken to the beyonds not knowing the love of God nor what the end shall be. A call for laborers in the harvest goes out, for the harvest is ripening—behold, it is white. The cry of the people come up before God. Their honest prayers shall be heard.

8 Lo, will my servants do my bidding, saith God, or must I call others? Fail not in your calling; but lift up your voices and carry your burdens to me the Lord your God, and I shall hear—and lo, I shall help you one and all. Be faithful, and I, saith your Lord, will stand you in holy places when the great destructions[4] shall come; and I will not take vengeance on those that know me when I come, but shall number you among my jewels[5]. Then great shall be your joy. Out of weakness many shall be made strong.'

9 Read the words of the Lord, study them, read ye what the Lord saith in the Twenty-sixth Message.

10 Remember, the Lord said, 'Let the old and the young remember that humility must be their mantle for charity knoweth no evil.'

11 Give this out to your brethren, many have prayed for this and rejoice to know of my coming. Be not weak but be strong in the Lord, and he will give you strength.

12 There are those that have and will uphold you, and will be made glad because I come to you. Many have prayed to this end. There are those that will speak lightly of these words. Sad shall be their end. Some you

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[1] Zephaniah 3:8
[2] Revelation 18:4
[3] Matt. 24;7
[4] Joel 2:32; Isaiah 26:20
[5] Malachi 3:17

think will have confidence as those to stand by you, will turn against you. Some will not understand, but in the end they shall understand.

13 ‘Hearken ye! My servants, go ye out to labor, ye that are out continue, for God is with you and will be. Great shall be the harvest. Many are looking for the message you bear. To those that take the message from house to house, place to place, heart to heart; I will be with you, I know your efforts already and your needs. Continue, and you shall have great joy and peace of mind, and eternity hath place for you.

14 Come ye unto me, ye weary, and I shall strengthen you. Remember I call the weak, and endue you with my Holy Spirit, causing great things to transpire among my children, and those that shall name my name.’

15 I leave these words with you. I bless you and those that hear you in the name of the living God. Amen.”

This messenger sat on my bed while giving this message; he spoke slowly, pausing occasionally while I wrote. He spoke kindly yet with force. His influence was such that I am not able to describe it. The light that radiated from him seemed to have a mellowing influence. My eyes filled with tears when I looked directly at him. He told me a few corrections to make in the last words he brought. That this was the third he had come to me, and that he was a messenger sent of the Lord. He further said I would gain many friends while others would try to make me an offender. Some would be true; some would not. That all things must be governed according to the teachings and doctrine of Christ. By the time this message was finished I felt the human weakness so much that I could understand in part the difference between the human and the divine. He rose and walked a few steps from me, and turned facing me, and chastened me because of that human weakness by saying, “Remember God is just.” He vanished. The room was light for some time after he left. I looked at the clock; it was 12:40.

Thirty-fourth Message

I was awakened by a messenger sitting on my bed, May 14, 1938. He came at 1 a.m. and remained until 2:20 a.m. He said: -- W.A. Draves

1 “Awake and take the message I will give you.

2 Behold I have come to you and not to others, for this is my appointing, to come with a message that the Kingdom[1] of God shall be. For the message I bring shall bring life, peace and happiness to those that accept it; and 'Woe, Woe, Woe, to those that count my commandments as naught; for terrible shall be the day to the unjust when I come, saith the Lord, and joy, gladness and redemption to the just.

3 Hearken, hearken: this is a day of haste! Will my servants do my bidding? Lo I have waited, yet many are slow to heed, while many there be that have a desire to put on the whole armor of Christ, saith the Master of men. Take to them the message, for Christ's coming is near. Preach and teach the written words and my Spirit will be with you as in the days of yore, for my gospel must be taken to all nations, for a mighty shaking[2] will come, then an awakening, and many that hear will obey.

4 Even now I say to my servants, meet in your solemn assembly. Cry mightily unto me, and I will hear you, and manifest my will unto you, yea, concerning Zion. Let my law be taught in its completeness that the joy of man might be full under the plan of redemption. Yea, men are that they might have joy, and according to their faith I manifest my will unto mankind. Because of unbelief my work has suffered, leaving many to wander in darkness.

5 Behold, saith the Lord, a great work is to be done, and few there be that behold it. But the children of your God knoweth it, and heareth the will of the Father, for the Church of Christ shall receive her power to make ready her children, the Lamb's bride, when he comes.

6 Hasten, ye sons of Levi[3], hasten to your calling. Remember your ancient choosing, calling and promise of your Lord. Let not my work suffer because of unbelief, but arise and go forth in the strength of the Lord, for love is your work. Go in faith. Bear ye the fruits of my Spirit that there may be order in my house, when many find it not elsewhere and look for standards. Let the Church of Christ take her place with the gospel of love to govern the feet of the weary and the wanderer.

7 Let more be sent in the fields and contend not among yourselves. Seek to be just in all things. Practice the law of love in your homes, for in your hearts my law shall be written[4] saith the Lord, and my work shall be accomplished by pure hearts and clean hands. My house shall be built;

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[1] Matt. 24:14
[2] Isaiah 2:19; Hebrews 12:26
[3] Deut. 33:10; Malachi 3:3; Malachi 2:5
[4] Jeremiah 31:33

the gospel preached in all the world; the glad tidings must go forth; and great shall be your joy in the end.

8 Oh ye sons of men, hear my voice, for I am your God and I speak as in days of old. By my Spirit ye shall hear my voice, and when you call on me, while you yet speak I will answer, saith God. For I send my messenger at this time with this great message of love. Many will rejoice with you. Be humble, be true to the covenant ye have made to God, and lo, I will be with thee always, even unto the end, for I am the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

9 I leave, and shall come again. Do with this message as you have done with the others, write them. Peace I leave with you."

I know this to be the same visitor I have had all along.

Thirty-fifth Message

At 1:10 a.m., June 9, 1938, at my room, 103 S. Pendleton, Independence, Missouri, the Messenger awoke me and said:
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the instructions I shall give you. I come to you at this home at this time. I come to you with this message that you might give it to the Church.

2 'I speak to the people of the Lord, those that have heard the midnight cry.

3 The cries of my people have come up before me, and I have heard their humble plea, saith your God. Yea, I am pleading for you to continue to come close unto me. Behold many have obeyed me in that they have come humbly to the assembly. I led you here one and all and my wish is that you remain very humble before me; then I will continue to bless you and lead you close unto me. Be very humble that the sunlight of righteousness from the Lamb of God may shine on you with healing[1] in his power.

[1] Malachi 4:2

4 Yea, to those who have not yet covenanted[2] with me, this is the way that shall lead you to life eternal.

5 To my servants, yea, I have given you testimonies of this work and of the words that come from my presence even through my messenger of this time, through one of my choosing. Remember, my ways are not man's ways, and none shall understand[3] but by my Spirit, saith your Lord.

6 Hearken: I say to my servants, be ye up and doing; go to the fields as the way will be open before you; I plead with you to labor in unison for my cause.

7 Let my quorum of twelve apostles be filled. Let my servants Belcher and Parkinson be added to the quorum that the quorum of twelve apostles might be filled. Let these men labor as they can, and as soon as they can adjust conditions in their homes, go to the fields as my Spirit will direct, for my harvest is great and the sheaves ungathered. Let them prepare in deep humility of the soul for this place in my Church and not yield to pride's temptation. Let my servant, W. C. Wilson, prepare to fill a place in the quorum of twelve when a vacancy comes. For lo, he is my servant and I have heard his prayers that are of the heart, and I will be with him in great power. Yea, I have strengthened his faith in this work. Let him take his place in the field of labor and labor even now, as I will manifest by my Spirit unto him.

8 Yea, let the many of my servants arise to their calling. Speak words of truth in soberness and I will see your solemnness; I will bless you with my Spirit as you carry my message to the ears of men. This is my work, saith the Lord, and I shall reward thee for thy labors. But verily hasten or I shall call others to take your place.

9 Let my servant Lacey continue to labor among the people of his color. I have heard his humble prayer which is of the heart; I know his willingness to serve me; and I shall fill him with power by my Spirit. Lo the time will come when his eyes shall be opened and he shall see. Great shall be his joy for his faithfulness before me. Let your brother, Johnston, prepare himself for the field, as he shall labor among his people also. Teach my full law in all things.

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[2] Psalms 50:4, 5
[3] Daniel 12:10

10 Behold, it is my will that my servant, A. W. Bogue, remain in the office. I will bless him, and he shall not want for food. Hear ye my servants for I am God, I change not. Blessed art thou to obey my voice.

11 These words I leave with you and bid you give them unto mine apostles and Church; give them not to the world as yet.'

12 My name is John, I shall come again."

Thirty-sixth Message

At 2:10 a.m., July 13, 1938, at my home, Nucla, Colorado, the angel awoke me and said:
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Again I come in peace to you with words of encouragement for the Church of Christ. Behold the day is when time is ripening, the harvest must be gathered. Thus, the words of salvation must be carried to all the world, for Christ's coming is near at hand and this warning must be sent, the gospel of the Kingdom preached—then shall the Lord come in the clouds of glory. For the righteous, great shall be their joy—but to those that know him not and that obey not the gospel, the Lord of salvation shall take vengeance on them.

2 May the people of the Lord God take on new courage. Let not your hearts be troubled; for the Lord has blessed his Church in that your actions at the assembly were acceptable— yet greater shall be your joy. This is the Lord's work and man cannot change[1] his plan nor his decree for they are unalterable.

3 'Thus saith the Lord your God, Oh ye of little faith and ye that have set your hearts, and have said: "The Lord has not sent his angel," for lo, I have sent mine angel from my courts above, the realms from on high, and he brings and has brought words from my speaking. But ye sit as judges, stiffnecked and hard of heart, saying, "The Lord speaks through me by his Spirit." Yea, verily, I say unto you, I have not prompted you to speak thus—but through the emotions of your hearts, and not to wait

[1] Matt. 5:18; Isaiah 46:10; Alma 41:8

upon the Lord—but to do my work in your way, you have sinned before me by doing thus, that you may hinder my work. In that you will fail. And it needs be that you humble yourselves before me and repent, for know ye not that I, the Lord your God, knoweth your hearts, your very thoughts and deeds. I would bless you and fill you with my Spirit if you would heed my voice. Unless you will hear me in my way and heeding my voice obey—you shall not be called mine at the last day, for you will yet fail. Others that are willing will carry my work onward, for Zion will be redeemed and Israel gathered. The Jews must be gathered to their homeland, and Israel's[2] hosts to this land that shall be cleansed[3], then shall it be Zion[4], a place of peace, a nation of righteousness; wherein the Lord will walk and talk with his people, for sin shall not be there and the lamb and the lion shall lie down together. Peace and love shall reign, and the Lord of justice shall be over all. The Jew and the Gentile, the bond and the free shall be as one. Even the Lamb of God, which is Jesus Christ, slain for the sins of the world and raised to eternal glory, shall be over all till the completion[5] of all things and the Father sees it well done. Thus have I spoken saith the Lord your God.

4 Let all my servants that I have called be up and doing for I will direct them. Let my young servants be at work and I will bless them greatly. Let all labor in their calling or idleness will let darkness cloud their minds and they will not enjoy the Spirit nor the goodness of God. Let my young servant Raymond Bronson labor with his parents as their work is pleasing unto me. Let my servant Parkinson prepare to labor in Canada as much as possible as the way will open before him. Let my servant Belcher labor in the field near his home and round about places, for much is to be done and laborers are few.'

5 Remember the many things I have told you, that you have not been permitted to write. Be very humble before the Lord. Worry not about what man has done—those that reject the words I bring to you. They do not reject you[6] but they reject me and the words I bring from the Lord; and the Lord has not and will not let his Spirit always be with them unless they turn and heed the Lord their God.

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[2] II Samuel 7:10
[3] Isaiah 1:27
[4] Micah 4:1, 2; II Nephi 10:11-13
[5] I Corinthians 15:24, 25
[6] I Samuel 8:7

6 I am he who shall minister unto ten thousand times ten thousand[7] and they shall be tried and purged. For I sit as a refiner of gold, and as with fuller's soap, purging[8] the hearts of men and cleansing out the dross, the sins of men. For man must be made holy before he can come in the presence of God, or the glory of the Lamb, slain for the sins of the world, that mankind might believe on him and be redeemed from that awful state.

7 Behold, the Lord soon comes and I shall be with him when he comes to his temple that shall be built by a people of clean hands and pure hearts.

8 These words I have brought from the presence of the Lord your God. I come to you in peace, with a message to bring peace to the Church.

9 'I bid you give these to mine apostles, as you did before, and publish them for the Church.' The Lord has spoken it.

10 I leave and shall come again as the Lord will direct. My name is John, the Messenger of the Lord."

He left; it was 3:20 a.m. As on other occasions, the room was as light as noonday and remained so for sometime after.

[7] Daniel 7:10
[8] Malachi 3:3

Thirty-seventh Message

Nucla, Colorado, September 22, 1938.
After prayer meeting on Wednesday night, September 21, 1938, I retired at about 10:30 p.m. At
1:50 o'clock I awoke from a very peaceful sleep. I thought of some happenings of the past few days, not of the Church. I hadn't been awake long when I noticed my room beginning to get light, I knew the angel was near—this thought had no more than passed through my mind when he stood by the foot of my bed. He took hold of the bedstead; it vibrated when he touched it. -- W.A. Draves

1 He said: "Arise, and take the message I bring to you, for thus I have been commanded of the Lord.

2 Again I come to you in peace, with a message to further the cause of salvation. The command of the Lord is that the work might go on until the completion of all things and the promises fulfilled.

3 The day is and nigh at hand when rumors of war will be heard and fear will come in the hearts of men. Some, their hearts will fail them because of the things that they will hear, but to those that have named the name of the Lord and that will yet name his name, be zealous therefore, and look to God, for those that he loves he also chastens; and the wise shall repent of the ways of sin and the flesh, that they be not spotted at the last day, but overcoming in all things; then shall the Lamb, the Great High Priest, clothe them in raiment white as pure wool. Their names shall be in the book of life, confessed before the Father of lights[1] and the angels of righteousness.

4 'Behold,' saith the Lord: 'Those that have and will profess my name and diligently seek me, yea, I will open and no man will close the door[2] before thee, for I will give unto thee power to overcome, and he that overcometh shall have right to the tree of life, to eternity. Lo, there will you have place with your Lord whom ye seek and desire to please. Then the righteousness of the righteous shall be your joy.

5 Ye that are called to edify[3] my bride,' saith your Lord, 'keep ye my sayings and the ways of righteousness in your hearts. Sin not, but be ye

[1] James 1:17
[2] Revelation 3:7
[3] Ephesians 4:12

holy vessels, and lo, I will quicken your understanding. Keep the thoughts of kindness in a willing manner toward your fellowmen. Fall not in the hands of the adversary, that is a thorn unto my body. Hold high the banner of righteousness, and Zion's cause shall be the millennium reign.

6 Lo, I come quickly, saith the Lamb of God: He that keepeth my sayings, in him will my love be perfected. Be ye cogitative[4] and visions of divine and glorious light shall be about you. Think ye upon the ways and words of the Creator of mankind that knoweth the hearts of all men.

7 The light that I, your Lord, will send shall point the way. He that cometh to me through the door will I baptize with fire and the Holy Ghost. Many have heard my call. Many are coming. Baptize them, ye servants of mine, for this is my Church.

8 Lo, my servants are called to represent my Church that shall continue on till I come to claim her as my bride. Be humble, be faithful, that you may have good works laid up in store against the times to come and my promise is that you may have hold of the tree[5] of life, saith your Lord who is the Savior of all that will hear and obey, for nations shall yet be warned of my coming.'

9 Let those that are willing to labor help all they can in this work, but remember to keep order in the house of the Lord. Defile not the holy rites. Those that will help with all their might their reward is sure.

10 The servants of the Lord that are carrying the glad tidings, their joy shall increase for they will see the hand of God in bringing the children to the Church in her brighter garment[6].

11 Let more be sent into the harvest field and the marvelous[7] work of God continue on. All must come in by the door[8] to represent the Church of Christ that is being established to never again be taken away[9], but shall continue on until Christ shall come.

12 Let F. E. Gale and A. H. Morse accept their call as elders to represent[10] Christ and his Church. Also let Earl Hansen, C. O. Benson,

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[4] Daniel 7:28
[5] Revelation 22:14; Alma 32:40, 41
[6] Message 2:7
[7] Isaiah 29:14
[8] II Nephi 31:17
[9] Message 13:16
[10] Message 5:2

W. B. Hill, Philip Swanson, and Lester Resch be set apart as elders to labor as the Lord will direct by his Spirit. Let them prepare in love for the proclaiming of the gospel of salvation they shall carry to the ears of mankind.

13 Let Peter Karo prepare in deep humility for the responsibility that will be upon him. For the Lord knows his heart and his love for this message of gladness to go to the people of his blood and tongue. If he will make ready that he be not burdened with the cares of home, let him be set apart as an elder to carry this message and authority to the place of his birth of Vinjearen, Norway and 'round about places. Many honest are in the borders of that nation and the Lord has prepared hearts to receive this message of life when they hear it. If he will work in love with an eye single to the glory of God, great shall be his joy with them. Let his companion go also.

14 The Lord calls those that are willing to hear him, the humble and the unlearned, to bring about his wise purpose. Teach men the way of truth and justice. Be not proud, heady or highminded, but be humble, meek, wise as serpents and harmless as doves[11]. Use boldness but not overbearance[12]. Yea, let all bridle their passions and unruly tongues, and you shall be delightful in the sight of the Lord.

15 Let Teddy Pyle prepare that his voice may sound the message of life—study the words and plan of God that he may know the truth and defend its cause.

16 Let Edwin H. Urch be set apart as a priest to labor in the cause of the Kingdom of God.

17 Let the priest's duty be to teach the law, preach the word, expound, exhort, admonish, and baptize; and also to administer bread and wine as sacrament unto the flocks; and visiting the homes of the members teach all to pray in service and in the secret closets, pouring out the heart to God. Teach members to attend to all family duties.

18 Many there be that profess the name of Christ, but you men of the servants of the Lord are to represent Christ and his bride, his Church. Great shall be your work and men shall be blessed by the glad tidings you bear. Have faith, think not that you can work without faith and help of God.

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[11] Matt. 10:16
[12] Alma 38:12

19 Let the Lord's servants hasten for nations must be warned and many righteous are looking with longing hearts in search for truth. Teach them to heed the words I bring from the Lord.

20 Let the Church pray earnestly and often that all will come closer unto the Lord that they may know his Spirit. Follow the doctrine taught in the scriptures[13].

21 There are those that have shown negligence in defending the truth, but because of traditions of men and the desire for prominency have failed to please the Lord in all things; and have sought to hinder the work of the Lord. They shall not have part in this work. Yea, the day soon comes when such shall not be called servants of the Lord by my voice nor by the true Spirit because of their sin. They have made light of the words the Lord has spoken. Therefore they do not heed, and unless they speedily repent of ways that are not wise, and secret deceptions, such shall no longer have lot or portion in the sacred work of the Lord.

22 Remember he that fails[14], faileth of himself and shall not be numbered among the people of the Lord.

23 The Church shall necessitate a cleansing out of priestcraft[15]. The work of the Lord is holy and men must not defile the sacred rites of God.

24 Some have been discouraged and their faith weakened. Let them be enlightened of the greatness of this work, that they might be encouraged. For remember, Satan has done many things in the past that has led men astray. With enticing words he has led men away from the teachings of Christ and his Church. Listen not to the whisperings of Satan. Be not led by pride nor the love for praise of men. Make clean your hearts and humble yourselves more—as conditions will come that will require greater faith. Be kind to all men. Cry repentance. Preach the gospel to the nations for all must be warned. Peace will have place in the hearts that are honest and obey. For salvation only comes from obedience to the words of him that shall judge[16] you at the last day.

25 The Lord changes[17] not, and he speaks now unto the children of men as he spoke in days of old.

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[13] Alma 37:20; Helaman 3:29
[14] Message 30:4
[15] II Nephi 26:29
[16] John 12:48
[17] Malachi 3:6

26 I prepared[18] the way before the Christ in days of old. Again I prepare the way in these days for his coming is nigh at hand.

27 I prophesy[19] unto the children of men. Heed ye the voice of him that made heaven and earth and all things that in them are. Repent of your wicked ways and turn unto the Lord your God, with solemnness and humbleness and he will hear your cry. Ye that have heard his voice continue on with a contrite spirit, for blessed are the honest, the upright, and the just.

28 Send this message to your brethren and the Church. Let these words be printed that the warning may go to others.

29 I have come to you from the Lord. I am the Messenger of the Lord to instruct in this work, and my name is John the Baptist. I will come from time to time as the Lord will direct. Amen."

He left; it was 4:20 o'clock. I was so very weak from his presence as the divine influence is so much stronger than human that I was most overcome. The light remained for some time.

Thirty-eighth Message

The Messenger came to my room at the home of R. E. Stone, 2425 Lafayette Street, St. Joseph, Missouri, at 12 midnight and left at 1:12 a.m., October 30, 1938. He gave the following message: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come to you at this home, for thus the Lord has commanded. I speak the words and will of the Lord your God.

2 The Lord has blessed his people, those that are willing to hear him, for the words I bring are his words, and they that heareth the words of the Lord and obey, shall be his Church in very deed.

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[18] Matt. 17:10-13
[19] Message 3:5

3 Thus far those that have listened to the words of the Lord, they shall receive the greater blessing, for behold, the time is nigh at hand when the greater power will be manifested; therefore arise to greater faith ye servants of the Lord. Turn away from the traditions of men and the things that bringeth contention, for the Lord will bless those that are humble and do his will.

4 Send what help that can be to the foreign fields as much can be done at this opportune time. The Lord is giving his word to those that are afar off as I speak to you and have spoken.

5 Let the Norwegian messages be sent to the people of that language and tongue, for the gospel will soon be preached in that nation.

6 Some the Lord has called have slumbered and slept, while some have been true and will yet be true, their reward is sure. Again others will yet rise and heed their call.

7 It is the will of the Lord that more be called to labor as bishops that the work will hasten on. Therefore, let J. W. Savage, Maurice Turland and Clarence Dobson be set apart as bishops. Let them remember they are stewards for God and that he requires it of them at the last day. Let them teach the tithing law and abide in all things in the ways of the Lord. It is needful that they work in the field of the Lord. Let the bishops work in unison in this office and calling.

8 The Lord has called men in other nations to know this cause.

9 Let the elders teach the people to live in peace before God that the works of darkness must be done away for the kingdoms of this world will know that God has spoken.

10 I have come to you. I have come from the presence of the Lord your God. I bring a message of love, and a warning[20] that Christ's coming is near at hand and the destructions that shall be. I have brought and bring instructions for the Church.

11 The works of Satan must be overcome, then peace shall reign.

12 Let the words I bring be translated in other languages that all nations may be warned. Publish and send abroad the warning, teach the reign of peace. Be at peace for Christ's Kingdom shall be, and he shall rule from sea to sea and all men will then hear his words.

13 The words I bring is a warning. Will the people heed it?

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[20] Matt. 25:6

14 I have come and will yet come, as the prophets have foretold, until the great controversy between Christ and Satan is over, the temple built, the people prepared and the Bridegroom sits down. They that be with him are called, chosen[21] and faithful.

15 I shall come again as the Lord will direct."

Thirty-ninth Message

At 1:05 a.m., Sunday, February 19, 1939, my room became light. I was awake and raised up in bed. I knew the Messenger was near. Immediately he appeared and bade me take the message he would give. I got up and wrote the message which follows. He spoke kindly, yet impressively. I saw the light, I saw him, I heard his voice and felt his influence. For a few minutes we visited as two men, talking over the things of God. I know this to be the same angel that has visited me on a number of occasions before. He said: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the message I will give you.

2 Again I bring words from the Lord your God, for the hearts of many have turned to a great light. The Lord sent me to bring light and instructions; to direct, to again point the way; that a people will be prepared to meet the Christ when he returns to make his abode on earth, that his will shall be done and the way of the righteous be pleasant in the sight of the Lord.

3 The Lord your God has borne witness to many of the messages I have brought and bring to you, and will yet bring. For this work came I into the world, as spoken of by the mouth of the holy prophets of the Lord, which have been since the world began. I come to give the warning of Christ's soon coming, of knowledge and of salvation, that all may find the way of repentance and remission of sins through the just plan of God, and that his promises might be fulfilled.

4 I am the Elias which was for to come. I am John the Baptist, the Messenger of the Lord. The earth shall be filled with the light that I bring and have brought from the Lord God. Will the people heed it, that their

[21] Revelation 17:14

feet might be guided in the way of peace[22] and be led out of darkness and contention and away from the shadow of death?

5 ‘Thus saith the Lord: Many that profess my name have sinned and gone astray. They have counted that which is holy, not holy, and my commandments they have forgotten. For one hundred years much of my design and law you have turned aside. Return unto me and I will return unto you.

6 Hear ye! Hear ye! I am establishing my Kingdom to never again be overthrown[23] and it shall fill the whole earth, and all men will obey me for out of Zion shall the gospel be taught and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

7 Heed ye my words, even the voice of my messenger. Make ready for I your Lord soon comes to claim all that know and obey my voice.

8 Many things shall take place that shall cause you to know that I have spoken, for this is a day of haste when much must be done—a holy work—a great work, and I call those that will heed my voice, even many that are unlearned to bring about my wise purpose, that man may not glory in himself, for knowledge and wisdom shall be given to the lowly, and those that do humble themselves before me.

9 Floods, wars, pestilence and plagues shall come, and many things that will cause the hearts of men to fail[24] them, for I send one mighty and strong[25] and unto him have I given power to utter words—eternal words—and light is his covering, to set in order my house. From his bowels gushes forth truth, a fountain of truth, to speak my words, for I have spoken. In me is the light that shineth[26] in darkness and by my servant I give these words unto you. I send a great light, and few there be that perceive it because of the precepts and commandments of men.

10 Verily I say unto thee, hear ye the whisperings of my Spirit, turn unto me and do that which is just. Build ye upon my rock and the things pertaining to righteousness. Obtain my word and it shall make you free and my Spirit shall give light unto all that will walk humbly before me, and love, that they might also be loved of me.

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[22] Luke 1:79
[23] Message 13:6
[24] Luke 21:26
[25] Isaiah 28:2
[26] John 1:5

11 The greater light and power shall come as my people will prepare for it[27].

12 Behold, saith your Lord, my harvest is white and the laborers are few. Awake, go forth and labor; bring my sheep unto me. Awaken! Pray ye that laborers[28] may be sent forth and my work be accomplished. Look unto me, for I am he that redeemeth thee.'

13 The Lord has accepted the work done, that the work might continue on and that the message I bring might go to others, as the Lord shall direct. Be not slothful.

14 Those that shall shape their lives by the words I bring and the gospel shall be blessed. Have faith in the prophets and it will be well with you, but heed not the prophecies of men. They will not save you.

15 There will be those from time to time that will not be true, but traitors to the Lord's work, making an offence for a word. Be not moved by them.

16 Be careful what you say, how you speak, and where you are. You will see evil and deception. While the good is at work the powers from beneath will be there also, but watch and pray, for the time comes when they shall not hurt[29] nor destroy in all the Lord's holy mount. Righteousness and justice shall rule.

17 All must labor somewhere in their calling—or their minds will become dark; and doubt, fear, and jealousy will come within them—for they cannot see the hand of God move.

18 Let the Voice of Warning continue to go out in peace that it may gladden the hearts of many.

19 Let the moneys be sent in that more may be sent forth to labor, that the work might go on.

20 Let George T. Morris, Earl W. Baggerly, and Samuel R. Stephens be set apart as priests to labor in this office and calling. If they will be faithful in their calling much good can be done, and God will bless their efforts.

21 Let Newton Brassfield and Henry T. Lebuto be set apart as elders and let them prepare for the great work that is before them. Let Henry T.

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[27] Message 41:11; 46:3; 48:11; 59:4
[28] Matt. 9:48
[29] Isaiah 11:9

Lebuto labor among his people for many of the righteous branch shall come from the people of his blood. Much will yet come to pass that shall bring many to understand the truth.

22 Let the work among the Colored people continue, for the Lord has heard their prayers. Let the servants of the Lord continue to labor and hasten for great is the work before you; also let Charles E. Cruzan labor as an elder as much as possible as much can be done.

23 Be kind to those that come to learn of truth. Meet in the assembly and cry mightily unto the Lord, for many shall come to learn truth. Be not contentious but let the Lord direct.

24 Do with this message as you have done with the others. Publish it that others might read; that peace might come to all that will do the Lord's bidding. Contend with no man, speak the truth and it shall make you free. I shall come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

He left at 3 a.m. The light remained for an hour or more.

Fortieth Message

At 11 p.m., March 20, 1939, the Messenger appeared and gave the following. The room was filled with light. His influence was of the divine Spirit and power of God. He spoke kindly and as one having authority. He sat in a chair by my bedside as he gave the message. He left at 12:15. -- W.A. Draves

1 "I come again with instructions that will gladden the hearts of those that will hear.

2 Be glad and rejoice in the peace of God. Rest in his will. He has heard the prayers of the faithful. Despise not the weak nor speak ye lightly of the erring and those that do not understand.

3 Let all come together in the services of the Lord, and the Lord will meet with them in the hour of their humility revealing the things of the

Kingdom, for all have a work to do. Let love fill your hearts that it will be said: 'See how they love one another[1].'

4 Let those that can go to the fields be at work for the harvest is white and the sheaves ungathered. Let the message be heard to the ends of the earth[2]. The Kingdom of God shall continue on and fill the whole earth and man's follies shall come to naught. Let all teach the gospel in its fullness and God will be with them.

5 Let the apostles and all who can, go into the fields of labor and God will be with them. He will bless their work; he will bless the people they labor among and their efforts to please him. Contend not over points of the doctrine of the gospel, but trust in his words and he will make you free. Those that will not labor somewhere in their calling, teaching the gospel of salvation, will lose and God will call others, for the message must be taken to the ends of the earth, to all nations.

6 Great shall be the joy in the hearts of men for they will hear the Lord's words and humble themselves before him. The law of the Lord shall be written[3] in each heart and all men will obey his will.

7 There will come conditions among the nations that will humble mankind. Sad will be the hearts of many. Children will be fatherless and women will weep for their husbands. The cry to the Lord will be heard and deliverance will come to those that hear his words and obey his will.

8 God sends deliverance for the children of men through the Christ that was slain, that redemption might come to all that will heed his voice.

9 Let the gospel be taken to Israel as a people and the message of Christ's soon coming to claim those that will be his bride.

10 Let the work continue among the Indians for God wants a humble people. He will bless the efforts of those that work with their hearts filled with love.

11 Let his servant W. C. Wilson labor in the field as much as he can and the Lord will bless his work.

12 Be prayerful and the light the Lord shall send will point the way. The Spirit of the Lord shall fill the hearts of men and the desire in their hearts shall find joy in the Lord.

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[1] John 4:7, 8
[2] Daniel 2:35
[3] Jeremiah 31:33

13 I am the Messenger of the Lord. I speak the words he sends. I will come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

I got up and wrote, and we conversed together as two men.

Forty-first Message

At 1:20 a.m., May 15, 1939, I awoke from a very peaceful sleep, the room was light, I knew the angel of the Lord was near. Suddenly he appeared, approaching my bed. I knew he had something for me. I got up and wrote the message as he gave it. He spoke kindly with the power of the Lord upon him and with authority. He left at 2:40 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come again as the Lord has directed. The words I speak are his words. I come to bring instructions, I bring a warning that the people may know that Christ's coming is nigh at hand. I am sent to help, to point the way. There are many things that must be done. There are many things that will come to pass that the prophets of old have spoken of.

2 The gospel must go to Israel for they must learn the will of the Lord, for this cause came I to restore the gospel that the Lord may bring back the true olive branches[1]. They shall be planted again and bring forth fruit. The time shall soon come when all that offend shall be cut off from among the people of the Lord. Therefore, I come to do the will of the Lord. Will the people heed it?

3 I speak the words of the Lord. Let his servants heed and the Lord shall continue to be with them in their labors for him and great shall be their joy because of their faith in him, for he saith he will not leave thee[2]. He will charge his angels to go before thee. Your reward shall be sure. Therefore, sanctify yourselves, let your minds be single to God, for the day soon cometh when he shall appear.

4 Teach diligently the doctrine of the gospel of the Kingdom, pray earnestly, willingly obey and his Spirit shall attend you, that you might

[1] I Nephi 10:12
[2] Hebrews 13:19

be instructed more in the way of peace and principle in all things pertaining to your welfare and salvation.

5 You have seen that man is continually evil unless he is filled with the Spirit and goodness that cometh from God[3]. Have no part with those that are full of contention. Walk not in the way of the scorner[4] or he that contendeth against the word of the Lord, for such shall not be called his chosen at the last day. Let your minds be at peace. Fear not man whose heart is not right before God. Fear not those who speak evil of you. You will see the weakness and sin of man. You will see the evil powers struggle and lose in the end.

6 As I told you, there are those that are traitors to this work; be not moved by them. Fear not the sins they accuse you of, for so they did the servants of old and destroyed many, but yet they shall live. Be right before God. Let your conversation be in humility. Speak the truth. Let all labor with their might and your tree shall not be barren[5]. Take not the honor unto yourselves. Gather in the assembly in peace and be kind to all men. The Lord will call many honest that shall be enlightened with knowledge, with understanding and the deep things of the Kingdom.

7 Blessed are the servants that defend this cause for truth shall live and bring to naught all error. Many are called for a special work; shape your lives by the words I bring you and it will be well withyou.

8 Let all come in by the door, and humble themselves before God, for this is the way that leadeth to life eternal for all who endure to the end. Hold high the standard of truth, the ensign of the love of God for man; for the nations shall yet know his voice and from them shall come those that shall be his bride in very deed. They shall be a pure people.

9 ‘Verily, thus saith the Lord, I have sent my messenger for the pruning of my vineyard for the last time[6]. Of this day the prophets of old have spoken, that Zion shall be redeemed. Thus the righteous shall come forth and take their place for they shall inherit among the favored of the Lord.

10 Yea, as I have led the children of Israel[7] in days of old, so will I lead my people now as you come near unto me and hearken to the words that

[3] Mosiah 3:19
[4] Psalms 1:1
[5] Alma 32:39
[6] Jacob 6:2
[7] Psalms 121:4

I send for instructions, for directions, for your cleansing and comfort from time to time. For I am your God and I change not.

11 Verily, verily, I plead with you that you stand not in jeopardy. Come[8] unto me and I will give unto you the water of life freely. Lift up your heads all ye faithful and rejoice for I am he that dwelleth on high and have great power. My power shall be more greatly manifested in the future among ye that believe than has been in the past. Therefore, I say unto you, lift up in faith and be glad in the strength I shall give, for I am your redeemer and I shall cause thee to stand.

12 I will cause my servants to be strong in the Lord that they shall stand before multitudes and proclaim the message of life to many that know it not, and thousands shall obey, for they shall come from afar and the hosts of Israel shall know their places. Therefore, be of good cheer, be pleasant in your work, speak the truth in humility, in kindness be your thoughts. Remember to be faithful and true, and the Lord God shall bring to pass all his strange act and fulfill all the promises that gladden the hearts of all those that think upon the Lord.

13 Blessed art thou that seeketh to bring forth my Zion[9], for it shall be and the righteous[10] shall have victory over all the oppressors. Therefore, I send the warning, even by my messenger in the spirit and power of Elias, that ye walk humbly before me, even all, teaching my law that mankind must come with full purpose of heart. Cleave unto me and I shall cleave unto you. Reject not my words, quench not my Spirit. Let all the erring repent. Teach men to come partake of the tree of life. Enter in at the strait gate, abide in the way which is narrow and endure[11] unto the end that ye may obtain eternal life, saith your Lord, for I am he who speaketh. Bring your sacrifice of a broken heart; repent in a contrite spirit[12].'

14 I have come as the Lord has directed and I shall come again. For this work were you born, to take the instructions. Be faithful and true and your reward will be sure; as I say to you, I say to all. I am your fellow servant, a co-laborer in God's work, to bring back the dispersed. Send the words I bring to mankind, that they may know the Lord has spoken. Amen."

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[8] Revelation 22:17
[9] I Nephi 13:37
[10] I Nephi 22:17
[11] Matt. 24:13
[12] III Nephi 9:20

Forty-second Message

The angel of the Lord appeared at my bedside June 9, 1939, 1:15 a.m., at my room, 217 South Liberty, Independence, Missouri, and gave the following message. He wore a white robe. The room was full of light. His influence weakened the human. He left at 2:10 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "I come to you in peace. I bring a message from the Lord; he that has loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son that he might man redeem.

2 This is the Lord's work. You men are called from among men to represent Christ and his Church[1]. Therefore be very humble. Meet in your assembly in peace and let the Lord by his Spirit remain among you. Behold, the Lord will meet with you, for truly this shall be the beginning of great things to come to pass.

3 See that all teach and preach the same[2] thing—and wander not off on strange doctrine[3], for such will not save you.

4 Those that shall not labor in full purpose of heart to defend this cause shall be not of the chosen of the Lord. Hardness of heart[4] and under deception is not of the Lord. There are those that are traitors. Let them repent lest the Lord reject them for this work shall go on and the purpose of the Lord accomplished.

5 Contend with no man, only for the truth. Remember the Lord Jesus who intercedes[5] to the Father for mankind that he shall draw all who will come unto life eternal.

6 Repent ye that have erred and ye that are not right before God, for the church work is holy and it must be carried on under the just plan of the Lord. Let no contention come among you; they that contendeth against the word of the Lord contendeth selfishly to their woe. Let all ye servants be as one and great things shall come to pass that shall awaken many and hosts shall gather to learn the will of the Lord.

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[1] Ephesians 5:25-32
[2] I Corinthians 1:10
[3] Hebrews 13:9
[4] Alma 12:9-11
[5] Hebrews 7:25

7 To the servants of the Lord: Do as I have bid you. Let the twelve counsel together much and consider this great work and the Spirit of the Lord shall abide with you to enlighten the way, for in principle, justice and righteousness shall ye consider the way. The Spirit of the Lord shall fill your souls with joy, and with a conqueror's tread shall the work go on. With your faith ye will accomplish. It shall be done.

8 Let the bishops counsel together much. Be kind and humble that ye may understand the ways and needs of the people. Let all be saving that more might go to the field.

9 Let all pray much that when the evil powers arise, they shall not harm the work of the Lord. As ye labor, labor in love. As one, stand together and the powers of darkness shall fade before you. Be kind to all men. Be ye observant.

10 Make your preparations that the gospel may soon be preached in Norway, for this is an opportune time to take the message to that humble nation.

11 Let more set their homes in order that they may go to the fields and labor. Hasten, arise, go forth in faith; your mission is one of love.

12 I have come as the Messenger of the Lord. I speak his will and my name is John. I shall come again to instruct in this work, for so is the will of the Lord. Amen."

Forty-third Message

June 14, 1939, 1:20 a.m. The Messenger appeared before me at my room, 217 South Liberty, Independence, Missouri, and bade me awake and take the message he would give, which follows. The Spirit and power divine was present and the angel was clothed with light. He spoke kindly and with authority. I felt exquisite peace while he was present and this feeling remained. He said: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Awake and take the message I shall give you.

2 Behold, I come from the Lord your God, I am the Messenger of the Lord. I am sent to speak his words that his will might be done among men.

3 The Lord has seen the solemnness of his people and he knows your hearts. He hears the prayers that are from the heart and he will answer. Thus to all those that will humble themselves before him, he will see your solemnity and he shall send great peace unto you and your hearts shall be filled with love, from the power of his righteousness.

4 Therefore be ye humble; in humility speak the truth and you shall receive greater power, even the power of the Spirit of God to carry the gospel message to the nations of the earth. The hand of God shall be manifested.

5 'Thus saith the Lord your God: Blessed are ye of my servants that defend this cause, for this is my work and man cannot please me unless he comes within my will, for I have designed that my messenger prepare the way before me, and a people that will have their hearts filled with love.

6 Man cannot change my plan nor my decree for they are unalterable[1]. Those that will not hear me in my way and heeding my voice obey, you shall not be called mine at the last day. Man may fail but my word shall not. It shall not return unto me void[2]. Those that are willing will carry my work onward, for Zion will be redeemed and Israel gathered.

7 Verily I say unto all, turn away from the past with its sins and traditions and move in the will of the Lord, and I will touch you and greater power and love will come upon you and bring together many wandering souls back to the paths of peace.

8 Verily, the powers of evil shall be overcome and peace shall reign. Those that learn of me and press into my Kingdom, I shall bring peace unto you. Verily, verily, I shall walk and talk with you, your hearts shall be full of love. My Zion[3] shall be a place of peace, a nation of righteousness, where, in obedience to my gospel, salvation shall be found.

9 Ye that heareth the whisperings of my Spirit how that it mellows the hearts of men, continue to be humble before me, and I shall do just and

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[1] Alma 41:8
[2] Isaiah 55:11
[3] II Nephi 10:11-16

great things among you; even the sick shall be healed; the lame walk; the blind be made to see.

10 Powers of peace and love shall guide all those that are willing to hear and obey, and the powers of evil subdued. Rejoice that ye are the children of your God.

11 Yea, unto those that harden their hearts; know ye not it is sin to kick[4] against the pricks? The prayers of my people shall be heard.

12 Read the words I send unto you by my messenger. Study them and obey my will fully, and eternity shall have place for you.

13 I have heard your honest plea that I will touch you and fill you with my Spirit. Thus I have spoken and it shall be, for I send mine angel to minister unto you, saith the Lord your God.

14 May the people of the Lord take upon them new courage, rejoicing in the peace of God. Let the servants of God speak kindly one to another and be humble for this is the Lord's work and if your minds become darkened, or your vision of understanding becomes closed, your hearts full of selfishness and unbelief, this shall be your sign[5] that the authority that has been placed upon you is taken from you. Others that are willing to labor in the Lord's vineyard shall arise to accomplish the Lord's work.

15 This is the day that ye who are called must work with your might for the pruning of the vineyard of the Lord for the last time. Therefore turn away from the traditions of men and things that cause contention.

16 Let W. C. Wilson be set apart as an apostle in the quorum of twelve. Let him be humble and place himself in the will of God and great good shall be done. Let him labor in the West. Let the twelve be in unison and at peace, with their hearts filled with love. Let all the apostles go to their appointed fields, for this is a day of haste and if they fail, they fail of themselves.

17 Some that have rejected my words will repent, others will not. Be at peace. Look to the Lord and go onward with the work. Let all come in by the door and prepare themselves to walk humbly before God.

18 Let Joe Yazzie and Martin Johnson be set apart as elders to labor among the people of their blood and if they will be humble and abide in the will of the Lord, many shall be brought to the knowledge of the truth.

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[4] Acts 9:5; Acts 26:14
[5] Message 21:7

19 Let A. C. Pape heed the call as the Lord has felt after him. If he will hear the word of God, peace shall come unto him. Let him be set apart as an elder. Let him teach the gospel, and if he will be humble he shall take the words of truth to the hearts of many.

20 Let Reuben Castator and George Everson be set apart as elders and let them labor as much as possible among those that are yet in sin, and the Lord will bless their work.

21 Let N. P. Peterson and Earl Cartland be set apart as elders and let them labor in the field bringing the honest and lost to the Church of Christ and their reward shall be sure. If they will be humble greater responsibility shall be given them.

22 Let Edward W. Aldous, Paul F. Diefendorf, Elmer M. Ryland be set apart to labor as elders and humble themselves in the will of the Lord that they may take the gospel of life to many, as the time will come when the gospel must be taken to other nations.

23 Let my servant, Reginald Layzell, come into this work and set him apart as an elder and if he will be humble he shall bring peace to many and his joy shall be full. Let him teach the gospel of life and his reward shall be sure.'

24 Let all be true and abide in the words of the Lord who came to give himself a ransom[6] that man might be redeemed and brought back to the will of the Father and he sees it well done. Be filled with love, be kind to all men, and speak the truth for it is Christ's words that shall judge you at the last day.

25 Let the priestcraft be cleansed from the Church as this is a holy work and it must not be defiled. Let all do their work and God will bless their efforts, and the honest in heart will be brought to the knowledge of the truth, for they will hear the voice of God.

26 The Lord has accepted the humbleness and solemnness of his people of this assembly and if you will continue to be thus before him he will make you a blessing. If the servants of the Lord will labor in their calling many people shall be brought to find peace and love in the Church of Christ that shall continue on until the Christ shall come to claim her as his bride.

27 If the people will continue to humble themselves and be true and faithful many shall assist in the building of the temple of the Lord. Great

[6] Mark 10:45

shall be the joy of the people of the Lord because of the house wherein they shall find spiritual food[7] and knowledge and the goodness of God shall be their portion. Peace shall then be in the hearts of all the righteous and evil powers will fade away.

28 I am the Messenger of the Lord, the Elias that was for to come that the will of God might be proclaimed and a people prepared to meet the Christ when he comes. Behold, I have come. Hear, ye children of men, and turn not a deaf ear to my words as I come to do the will of the Lord and my name is John.

29 To you, my fellow servant, prepare, for greater responsibility rests upon you, and your brethren shall uphold you, and blessed are the true and humble.

30 I shall come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

Forty-fourth Message

The angel of the Lord appeared before me at 11:45 p.m., August 21, 1939. The room was light and the influence of the divine was evident. His presence made me very weak in body. He bade me arise and take the message he would give. He wore a white robe that left bare his ankles and his arms a little above his wrists. His collar was open so I could see into his bosom. His robe was well made and he had on sandals of ancient style.

He was with me two hours and forty-five minutes; he left at 2:30 a.m., August 22, 1939. -- W.A. Draves

1 "I have come to you from time to time as the Lord your God has designed, to direct in this work that it might be set up in its fullness, for so have I been commanded of the Lord. I am sent to bring a message; I come from the presence of the Lord God; the words I speak are his words, and they shall have their place among those that shall be the Lord's bride in very deed, for the Lord God has turned to his little ones that he might bring about his wise purpose. His Kingdom shall roll forth until it fills[8] the whole earth and righteousness shall prevail and the voice

[7] Message 5:12
[8] Daniel 2:35

of joy shall be heard, for then shall it be that Zion is redeemed and the millennium[9] breaks forth with gladness.

2 ‘Yea, hearken unto him who is the Lord your God. Ye of my servants whom I have called and chosen and will yet choose, hear ye my word and obey and you shall find peace to your souls. Take the message to the children of men. Be not doubtful nor slothful, for much must be done in this work I have designed, saith the Lord.’

3 Take the message from house to house. Many are honest of heart and will be glad to heed it. Take to them the gospel of love. Preach repentance and faith in God, for all must have faith in God and his work as greater things shall come to pass. Only the pure in heart and the humble in spirit shall be able to stand and labor in this work.

4 You men have been chosen to assist in this work and the Lord shall go before thee to touch the hearts of men. He has chosen men in every[10] nation under the sun who shall assist in the gathering of the honest in heart to the places of the Lord’s promise, for by his Spirit he shall touch them.

5 All must repent and be baptized for the remission[11] of sin. Let the hands[12] be laid upon all that his Spirit might come to them in greater power, for the promise is that he will send his Spirit to all those that are humble and full of love and trust in his words.

6 This is a day when Satan has great power and men’s hearts will be tried. Some will fail because of the things they will have to pass through, others will be true. Many have been true and will yet be true. The cleansing time has come and God will cleanse the hearts of men by the power of his Spirit. By the conditions that will come, many will be tried and the Lord’s purging shall take place.

7 Abide by and fully obey the words I bring, have brought and shall yet bring. Teach the gospel of the Kingdom, take it to all the world, to Israel, and verily, the Lord shall remember his promises, for the righteous shall have victory over the oppressors[13].

8 Behold, there is a cry of peace, but there is no peace save in the hearts of them that do the Lord’s bidding, those that heed his voice. Nations are

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[9] Revelation 20:4-6; I Nephi 22:24
[10] Message 18:10
[11] Mark 1:4
[12] Acts 8:17
[13] Jeremiah 30:11; 51:20

in distress and kingdoms are crumbling. Fear not, for the Lord shall proceed to do a marvelous work and the powers of evil shall lose in the end. Study[14] the words I bring, teach them, study the full word of God and you shall know the truth. Follow the instructions I bring and it will be well with you. As I say to you so say I to all.

9 I come as the Messenger of the Lord, I speak his words; many have accepted them; some reject them. Nevertheless, in time others will accept them, for the words I bring are from the Lord. The time soon comes when those that do not defend this cause shall not hinder, for the priestcraft must be removed.

10 Up, ye servants of the Lord, and do the Lord's bidding. Prepare ye the way of the Lord; make straight in the land a highway for God. Have no part with those whose hearts are not just before God, nor those that will not heed the instructions of the Lord, for some are stained with traditions of men and worldly ways. Therefore they are deprived of the Spirit and peace of God; the Lord cannot use them in this great work. Let others carry the message who will be true. Many honest are praying for this message and will be glad to know the Lord has spoken. Take to them the message of life. Be prayerful and the light the Lord shall send will point the way and the ambassadors of the Lord shall go forth, for this is the midnight cry[15] when souls must be warned of that which is to come, that Israel[16] may know the Lord has spoken, and from them that hear shall the elect be gathered. The Spirit of the Lord shall fill the hearts of men and he will bless their efforts, for this is a holy work and the hearts of men must become clean and holy before God. With longing hearts mankind is pleading to come in the will and purpose of the Lord. The servants that labor for this righteous cause, the Lord has and will direct them. Let all labor somewhere, for this is a time of haste.

11 In times past the Lord has chosen men in all ages to do his work among the children of men. Many have been faithful; some have failed; let it not be so with you. Ye servants the Lord calls and chooses in these days, be ye faithful that ye may be among those that be with him when he comes, that be called, chosen and faithful.

12 'Thus saith the Lord, Come[17]; the voice of one that crieth among my people says, Come; the Spirit and the bride say, Come. Let them that

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[14] III Nephi 23:1
[15] Matt. 25:6
[16] Jacob 6:4-9
[17] Revelation 22:17; Ether 4:13-9

heareth say, Come. Thus be valiant, obedient and arise to do my will,' saith your Lord.

13 The Lord has called many into this work that it shall be fulfilled to bring about his wise purpose. Therefore, let Boyd Peshlakai, Phillip Manuelito, and David F. Martin be set apart as elders, and if they shall be faithful in service many shall be brought to the knowledge of the truth and know of the way of life and be saved from that awful state.

14 Let Warren Nellis, George A. Kaake, Carl Sammis and John Copeland labor as elders as much as they can. Let the elders be out among the people, teaching and leading in love and their reward shall be sure.

15 Let the work among the Colored people continue, let it be established and let them take the message to others of their blood.

16 Let Arvis Alexander, Martin C. Wagbo and Willard Moore know that this work is true, and that the Lord will use them for great good, to accomplish much, if they will be humble.

17 Let T. Pyle and Dohn Weaver be set apart as teachers. Let them be humble and let their duty be to persuade men to attend church, let them look after the church and care for its needs and teach, expound, persuade, admonish all in all ways to do right before the Lord. The teachers must be kind and remember to be prayerful.

18 Let Harold L. McCracken and William Belly be set apart as deacons in the Church of Christ. Let them take up this duty to encourage all, even the young to attend services. Let them assist the teachers in many ways. Let them keep tidy the house of the Lord; let them learn the needs of all and let them receive the moneys from the people in the local that it might be properly cared for and sent to the bishop. They shall be obedient in all things and in no case the teacher nor deacon have authority to baptize or administer the sacrament, but they are to warn the people, exhort, teach, encourage and invite all to attend church services and duties.

19 Blessed are all they that teach men to repent and lead souls from sin for their reward shall be sure.

20 Give this message to the brethren, the Church, that it might go to others that they might know the Lord has spoken. Be humble and the Lord will be with you. Many are humble and prayerful; the Lord will bless them and their prayers are heard. The sick shall be healed. The work must hasten on. Let it go to other nations.

21 I leave peace with you and with the Church. I shall come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

Forty-fifth Message

A VISION OF THE WARS AND THE PEACE

1 On September 8th, 1939, the Messenger of the Lord, John the Baptist, appeared in my room at 2:15 a.m. He sat on my bed and awoke me. The room was lighter than day. I sat up in bed. He said he had come to give instructions and to make known things soon to take place and now in action.

2 For a short time we conversed as two men on many subjects and he gave me some personal advice. One thing he said was, famine[1] and conditions would come that would cause many to go hungry. Let the Church and the people know that they must supply themselves with foods and place in store that they might not suffer in the day to come.

3 He bade me come with him and he would show me the scene of disaster. He held out his hand, I took hold of it. I seemed to forget all around me except to know we were floating eastward in midair.

4 We traveled, it seemed, for about half an hour, perhaps longer. We came to where there were large hills or mountainous country. Here we sat down on a large flat rock on the top of a high mountain. I could very plainly see the territories of various European nations; their mountains, rivers, lakes, and plains. Large fields of growing grain were clearly visible. They were farmsteads surrounded by neatly arranged gardens, shrubbery and orchards. I could see cities and hamlets far and near. Most of them presented a well kept and modern appearance, with paved and well lighted streets. In the great cities were numerous large buildings of beautiful architectural design.

[1] Matt. 24:7

5 To the northeast, I could see Russia. To the east, Asia. To the southeast Palestine showed up plainly with its green fields, and factories in a prosperous condition. To the south was Italy and the Mediterranean Sea. It took me some time to view these many lands. My attention was attracted almost at once by the great noise and sound of battle. To the north and east were horrible scenes enacted.

6 I saw Germany fighting brutally on Polish soil to take a spoil. I saw the smaller nations struggle, most of them to lose, but from the distance came armies with many different colors, some with red coats and some with blue, and fell upon the enemies, and great was the slaughter thereof. I saw France press over upon German soil. I saw Russia press southward and great was the spoil thereof. I saw that many nations became involved in the war. I saw cities in great confusion, dark with the blackness of wailing and mourning.

7 Armies of men were in battle array. A great battle was going on. The noise of cannonading and bursting of shells was terrific like thunder in the heavens. There were clouds of black smoke rising, rolling high in the sky. Men could be seen firing automatic rifles and there were many great machines of war. There were two scenes of battle. The one farthest to the northeast was the most terrible and the fighting most brutal. A river divided the opposing armies on the greater part of the battle front in the nearer scene.

8 As we sat there looking to the north and east I saw the most horrible scenes and woeful catastrophies of all sorts. I saw a man that stood himself high in the midst of a hardened and driven people. Their faces looked cold, some dark with fear and horror. They faced him on all sides; they feared him. They trembled at his word.

9 The Messenger said, “See what the might of man has done. The ruin of many nations.”

10 The scene was so terrible it would sicken anyone to look upon it. I saw that this man had caused war and it became worse and worse. Many changes seemed to take place. The thousands of people I saw seemed worried; all eyes and minds were focused on the disaster to come. The attention of the world was being turned toward the man of war. The war evil lurked in every nation around the man who stood himself high.

11 I saw great armies come out in mighty battle firing at the enemies in gray. Thousands upon thousands met death yet the conflict became worse. Nations from afar rose up to press the man of war and great ships ploughed the seas laden with supplies bringing deadly woe to millions.

Women and children crying, screaming in fear, ran in every direction. The scene became terrible, a horrible disaster; the shameful result of man's selfishness through the hardness of heart of one man. He called a few men around him and gave them counsel and sent them out to counsel many, only to make the picture more black with the horrible smoke of war.

12 Ambassadors came from far, crying peace, but no peace was considered. Many nations plead for peace but those involved gave no thought of peace. There continued to be bloodshed in the streets and on the fields of war.

13 The Messenger said, "See what the sin of man has done. Broken homes, ruined nations, and many souls taken to the beyonds, not knowing the will of God nor what the end will be. This shall leave an impression upon many people bringing lasting desire to see justice wrought and it shall linger on in the hearts of men to find their God."

14 Great Britain and France were together and had long tried to keep peace, but there was no peace, as all plans for peace were ignored. Fighting continued.

15 I looked to the east and in the sky, in the shape of a rainbow, appeared these words, "THE END OF SEVEN YEARS."

16 As we turned to look toward the south, the scene was terrible. As the man[2] that sat upon the throne in the well lighted city of Italy saw the greatness of the war, he sent out messages purporting to make peace, but to no avail; then he started war. This war involved all nations[3]. Then was the time when nations became divided and would not obey the counsel coming from the man in Italy. The smoke became blacker and blacker as it rose higher and higher in the sky as the thundering artillery continued its firing. It seemed the earth did quake and tremble because of the terrible battle that had been raging for some time. The smell of the deadly powders and dead bodies was awful. The scene was sickening to the world. People as far off as we could see staggered from the tales of woe and horror that reached their ears[4]. Blood and water flowed from the battlefields until the streams and rivers became colored with the filth and blood. The fish in the streams died and washed in large heaps along the edges and on small sandbars, only to fill the air with greater stench. Norway and Sweden took little part at first. I saw the American flag

[2] Message 29:18
[3] Zachariah 3:8
[4] Luke 21:26

among others that came to the great battle. I looked and saw America all in turmoil and distress, with fighting and bloodshed among themselves. For a time it was horrible but I saw it change and I knew it would not last long with such terrible distress. I thought that many were fighting to keep from entering the war abroad and across the sea.

17 I saw that many of the home-loving German people had turned against the Nazi government which in their hearts they had never endorsed.

18 While we saw no more of the man who stood himself high, other great men of evil caused the war to continue. The cause seemingly came from Rome.

19 Millions and millions of homes were broken, torn, with fatherless children crying at their mother's sides, many with neither father nor mother, starving and in rags.

20 I saw many kneeling in prayer and thousands uttering prayer to God as they struggled on their forced way. I looked in the distance and only a few were left at peace with their fellow men.

21 Again I saw America, this time in a better condition; great peace was ruling and commerce was at kindly terms within her borders.

22 From the broken fragments of torn homes, near and far, rose up those that looked to the United States of America and made haste to flee to be within her peaceful borders.

23 A voice rang out that filled the heavens, "Where is he that rules?" Then as the world did quake and tremble, many of those left alive turned their faces toward America.

24 "We must have peace," declared many nations. An army with shiny metal helmets and belongings came from the north and west and pressed in the battle to bring a change in the scene. The conflict lessened, the sky cleared of its smoke, and revealed the most horrible heart-rending scene that eyes could ever behold. Many thought the struggle was over.

25 As we looked to the east again I saw those words in the sky in the shape of a bow across the heavens, "THE END OF SEVEN YEARS." This time as I looked the letters were red as blood, seeming almost to drip drops of blood.

26 I became very sad and sick with grieving for the people. I wept. The Messenger said, "Those that fear the Lord and do his will, shall have

eternal life[5] with him." He was still holding my hand and he said, "Blessed are the feet of them that seek to establish peace. Many shall come, looking for peace. Let the Kingdom and Church of Christ be adorned in her righteous garments."

27 Shortly the great war began to rage again, this time more cruelly and brutally than before.

28 A great army came from the north and east passing through what was German soil, going toward France. They met no resistance until they came to the Rhine River. Here they paused; great fortifications were before them and strong armies ready to give battle. After some firing on each side, they swerved and went south toward Italy. This region became the center of the great conflict.

29 We were carried to the field of battle and amidst the thunder of war and the cries of the people, I looked upon the saddest scene that could ever befall the human race. As I saw the men fall by the thousands and death came to the millions, the destruction did not lessen[6].

30 Then we came near the seashore on the west of France. Here I was lifted so I could see far out over the great deep waters that divided America from that land. Great ships ploughed the deep and many met disaster on the way. Being fired upon by the enemy, they began to unload their cargoes and the people fell into the water and thousands met death. Some clung to pieces of wreckage upon the water and rescue ships came in view to help, but again disaster came to them who came to help and their woe was doubled. Many ships burned. The crying was heart-rending, ringing out in space, only to add to the noise and thunder of the cause of death in war.

31 Italy was overrun and devastated. Strong were the invading armies. The defenders were weakened by long bloody battles. Siege was laid on the great city of Rome. She resisted mightily. Suddenly she gave way. She was taken and burned and great was the burning thereof.

32 The Messenger said, "And the sea shall give up her dead, hell and the grave shall give up their dead, and on that morn of the resurrection of the Lord's, there will be no more scenes like this."

33 We were carried again to the place on the top of the high mountain. I saw that Germany was no more; she had become divided, part of her

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[5] John 11:26
[6] Jeremiah 25:33

going to America[7] and part joining with the armies of the man at Rome. Great Britain was also broken up never again to be united as an empire. Many sad hearts of the broken fragments joined with the people on American soil, becoming one nation in purpose, peaceful and full of justice, equality, and love. They were of all colors and kinds but all acted alike. Many of the Scandinavians came to the United States of America. Everyone called America "The Standard Nation" because she had a righteous standard[8].

34 Then we looked to the east over Palestine and the Messenger said: "The Lord shall set his feet on the Mount[9] and a nation shall be born in a day. The Jews shall learn of their Lord." At this I saw them a peaceful people and wealthy in goods and homes[10]. Their fields were green and many factories were busy, with smoke ascending and the noise of industry ringing out.

35 From the north and west of Palestine came a large army and after they came on the scene, armies from the north and east came with haste to take a spoil[11]. Then many eyes were turned to Jerusalem and a cry rang out, "Let us go to battle to Jerusalem for they have the wealth of the world." They camped near and the Jews came out to protect their rights[12]. The battle was on, the scenes became so horrible that I grew very sick in body and faint from grief as we sat there and looked upon the things taking place in that awful battle[13].

36 The lands in the north, east, and south had been spoiled by the wars and all the fields that once were beautiful were now a rugged waste. What a shame! What a pity! All the result of sin.

37 The Messenger said, "Look," and I turned with him to look to the west and saw America, seemingly raised up, so I could see the whole continent lifted out of the great waters. I saw people gathered to worship the Lord. I saw peaceful fields, quiet homes, happy faces and smiling mothers. The men were solemn and kind to each other as they worked building the waste places and planning government. Discipline was in effect everywhere. Justice, equality, and righteousness was the desire of

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[7] II Samuel 7:10
[8] Isaiah 18:3
[9] Zechariah 14:4
[10] Ezekiel 38:8, 14
[11] Ezekiel 38:1-2; Zechariah 14:1-2
[12] Zechariah 12:8
[13] Ezekiel 38:17-22

every heart. I saw that one had risen up, a noted man in righteousness, and had turned ungodliness away from the people of the Lord and sin was no more among them.

38 The Messenger said, “The work of a seer has been done. He has come from the election of the Lord.”

39 I saw the temple in the distance and we floated gently toward it. As we neared, I read these words over the door, “THE TEMPLE OF THE LORD[14].”

40 I saw that millions had met death and few remained when the indignation had passed over. Only one-sixth[15] of the men were left.

41 I seemed well acquainted with the Messenger and did not fear him. I listened to every word he spoke. He said, “By the elect shall the cause be done.” I knew he meant the preparing of a nation in righteousness.

42 We stopped at the door of the temple and it seemed I was lifted so I could see in every direction and many saints were marching toward the temple, while hosts were coming from the seashores. Their eyes were focused on the temple and the cloud that rested upon it. I looked until the people approached the temple grounds then the Messenger took me home. I was tired, worn and weary.

43 The vision closed and I was still sitting up in bed. The Messenger said, “Be at peace, be comforted, let the Church continue on, that the standard might be raised. I will come again as the Lord will direct.” He left at 5:05 a.m.

44 To all those who read these lines, I want to say that they do not, nor can they portray half of the horrible and bitter scenes as they really were. Such scenes of sadness, suffering and disaster should quiet the step of any God-fearing soul. Woe upon woe, weeping, suffering and death was the essence of the situation. May God protect us.

[14] Malachi 3:1; Isaiah 66:1-6; Acts 15:16, 17
[15] Isaiah 24:13, 14

Forty-sixth Message

Saturday night, December 30, 1939, at 11:15 p.m., the angel of the Lord appeared at my bedside and said these words, "Prepare that I may give you a message; prepare to receive it. As many of the children of God are pleading in grief that the Lord will speak and give comfort." I arose in bed; he disappeared; the light remained for several moments.

Monday morning, January 1, 1940, at 2:15 a.m., the same Messenger of the Lord appeared. I arose up in bed; the same powerful divine light accompanied him. He had two rolls of paper in his hands, and rolled one out on the bed so I could see. I saw that it was the plan for the basement of the temple. I was noticing many little details and he said, "This is some of the great work that shall yet be done, but it shall be done by those that are honest. Some have denied their duty and calling because of priestcraft. Others will take their places." He had another roll in his left hand but did not unroll it or say anything about it. He left. I was greatly strengthened by his visits and it helped me to prepare for what was to follow.

On January 1, 1940, the Messenger of the Lord came to me at my home in Nucla, Colorado, at 11 p.m., and remained until 1:24 a.m., January 2, 1940. He said: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the message I bring.

2 Great is the responsibility that rests upon you. Many of the servants the Lord has called have upheld you in this work in defending the truth; blessed are all such for they shall obtain the greater peace and power. The Lord will be with them and angels near to direct the way. To all those that will be very humble and obey the Lord's voice the sunlight of righteousness of the Lamb of God shall be upon them with healing in his power.

3 To all those that repent of sins and be baptized, preparing themselves in deep humility, yea, the Lord promises that they shall receive the greater light and power that they might be able to carry on the work of the Lord.

4 Behold, there are those whose hearts are full of evil and selfishness; they have withheld that which is the Lord's of tithes[1] and of offerings. Their hearts are not right before him, therefore, I say unto you, they cannot have part in this work, and are not of the household of faith, for they have failed to obey the word of the Lord.

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[1] Malachi 3:8

5 There are those that are full of contention. Separate yourselves from them, have no part in their selfish desires, be humble, be at peace; let love fill your hearts. Heed not the traditions of men, that you may be able to stand when greater things will come to pass and your trials shall be upon you. Teach the gospel of life, take it to the ends of the earth; to other nations in their own language and tongue.

6 I come to give instructions. I come from the presence of the Lord. The words I speak are his words; the message I bring is his message for mankind. Will they heed it? Lo, he has waited long, yet many are slow to obey. Many are true and will yet be true. Many will fall by the way because they have not prepared for that which is to come, for great is the work that shall be done and the Lord will direct in his way all those that will heed his voice. He will provide and point the way.

7 Behold, some the Lord has chosen have slumbered and slept, while again, others have denied the authority and trust placed upon them in that they have listened to the whisperings of Satan, not to defend this work of the Lord. To all those the Lord saith, 'Know ye not for whom ye were called to labor? Behold! I have plead with you, yet you have hardened your hearts, opposing and denying my righteous cause. Yea, I say unto all such, you have hearkened to the whisperings of the evil one, and doubt and fear have entered your minds. In this you have sinned a very grievous sin; therefore the authority and trust that was placed upon such, they have denied, and it has been taken from them. I have plead, will my servants do my bidding or must I call others.

8 This is a day of haste when my work must be done. Those that will heed and obey I will bless, those that will not will lose in the end. Some have grieved me because of man's traditions, hardness of heart and sin, causing my work to suffer. Some will yet repent while others will go to destruction. Those that do not defend this cause have no part in this work. Let them know they must repent to do my will. Be watchful for it is my voice they oppose, and my design they deny. In their hearts they have rejected the message I have brought from time to time and they are not willing to be directed by mine angel I have sent.

9 Yea, behold, I forgive those that repent and walk humbly before me. Yea, my sheep know my voice and they will hear when I call upon them. How is it that some say they love me, yet deny and oppose my design? Know ye not that I know your thoughts and the intents of your hearts? Why call ye me Lord, Lord[2], and do not the things I say? Verily, I say

[2] Luke 6:46

not all such shall enter my rest; for in their traditions they have gone astray. They shall not have voice or vote in my work of the Church of Christ.

10 Blessed are the meek and all those that consecrate themselves unto me. I will be with them, saith your Lord, and stand you in holy places, protecting you when the great indignation cometh. You shall be called mine when I make up my jewels.'

11 This is the Lord's work and man cannot do it his way.

12 Let the women continue to do their part. Let the elders be in the field for much must be done.

13 'Thus saith the Lord, it is my will that my servant Parkinson continue on for there is a great work for him to do if he will do my will. Yea, his trials have been heavy and he is burdened with many cares, but I say unto all, those whom I love I also chasten, and prepare a way for their deliverance—behold there is a way prepared.

14 There are those in the quorum of apostles that shall not be sustained, therefore; that my house with twelve apostles might be filled when the vacancies shall come, let these men that I shall give you prepare in deep humility that they may qualify for the greater responsibility for this office and calling in my house as apostles. I will be with them, and they, with those that are faithful, will do a great work. Peter Karo, Warren Nellis, Boyd Peshlakai, and Keith Rogers; let these men, with you, prepare for this office, for this is a time of haste. As the vacancies come let them be filled, for I prune my vineyard for the last time. If these men will be humble and prepare themselves to walk uprightly before me, their Lord and God, I will make them a blessing to many. In time others will fail; they will listen to the whisperings of Satan, nevertheless my work shall go on.

15 Therefore, at this time let Hubert Yates and Keith Rogers know this work is true. If they will come in by the door, heeding my voice obey; let them be set apart as elders and let them carry the work on. If they will obtain the greater light many shall be brought to the knowledge of the truth by their efforts; likewise Charles S. Miller, Hugh Beaver, Harry

R. Gross, Alfred Peterson; and Henry E. Lickers (if he will adjust conditions in his home. The Lord know his heart and will use him for great good among his people.) Let these men obey the gospel and take up the work as elders, for the harvest is white. Let them labor. Let all remember their duty and responsibility is to labor, bringing the honest

and lost to the Church of Christ. Also let George Everson humble himself and the Lord can use him as I told you. Let him work among those that are yet in sin. Let all labor and I will cause great things to transpire among the faithful.

16 Turn away from the past with its sins and traditions and the contentions that destroy hope. Study my words; even the words I send by mine angel; and I will touch you, and greater light and love will come over you, and many wandering souls shall be brought to the paths of peace.

17 Verily, thus saith your Lord, let the work continue among all people. Let it continue among the Colored as I have heard their prayers and many are truly honest among them. Let my servant Lacey continue, and those whom I have called, J. Wade, Joshua Armbristo, and Joshua Ferguson, take up their work. Also let my servants Alfred Bolen and John Michel come unto me, and set them apart as elders. If they will work with an eye single to my glory, they shall be able to bring many to the knowledge of the truth. I will cause a mighty wakening to be among the people of their blood for I have seen their humility. Many shall yet be called to labor among them, likewise among the Indians.

18 Verily I say, let my work move on; let it go to other nations; watch and pray, and I shall provide, saith the Lord.'

19 Be at peace. Worry not at what men will say of you. There are those that have prayed that I come to bring directions. I come as the Messenger of the Lord. I will come again from time to time as the Lord your God will direct. Amen."

Forty-seventh Message

While on a visit at the Oliver home at 637 Millwood Rd., Toronto, the Messenger came to my room at 2:20 a.m., April 21, 1940, and left the message which follows. He was enveloped in light and spoke as one having authority from God. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the message I will give you that the work of the Lord will not suffer. This is a day wherein a light shineth even in power from

the Lord God. I come from his presence, I speak at his command. The word I bring is for mankind that they may know the Lord has spoken. Take the message to all the world that the honest in heart may find their God and learn the way of salvation.

2 The prophets have foretold this day. Behold, the Lord has spoken, and it shall be. His Kingdom shall fill the whole earth and the dominion[1] shall be given to the saints of the Most High.

3 The promises the Lord has made to Israel shall be fulfilled, and all things established in peace and righteousness. Therefore, that this work might be carried on, the Lord has sent me. I am the Messenger of the Lord; I come in the spirit and power of Elias—I am the Elias—I come that a restoration of all things might be. Behold, I have come! Hear! Oh ye children of men, and turn not a deaf ear to my word, or the word I bring from the Lord God, for I come to do the will of the Lord and my name is John.

4 I am the servant of the Lord sent to bring the last pruning of his vineyard; to cleanse and make ready, that there might be a holy priesthood; clean, upright, and just. Therefore the command is for all to be true, obedient. Let all abide in the words of the Lord who came to give himself a ransom that mankind might be redeemed, and a way of deliverance from that awful state[2] be prepared for all whosoever will walk therein and be saved. Therefore, his decrees cannot be altered nor his plan frustrated, but his design shall be fulfilled and purpose accomplished; for the Lord turns to do a mighty work among his people Israel, for the voice of truth shall ring out and the sound of joy shall be heard. Then shall all darkness recede and this great spiritual light will light the way of those that are humble before God.

5 Fear not, for it is the will of the Father that this message be carried to the ends of the earth, and the warning of the judgments taught, that the honest in heart will come, for the people must know the way of deliverance.

6 See those that are yet in darkness—see the weakness and sin of man—see those who are struggling in blindness—see those seeking for light, willing to heed it when they hear it: take to them the message of life. You will see the hand of God move to accomplish his work; you will see the evil powers struggle and lose in the end.

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[1] Daniel 7:27
[2] II Nephi 9:27

7 Teach the doctrine with diligent faith, patience, and boldly, in meekness.

8 Many are called for special work, for the messengers of peace shall cause that all things that offend shall be taken out. Therefore, let peace be in the hearts of all that will heed the message I bring and prepare themselves to walk humbly before the Lord. This is the way whereby mankind can be brought to the presence of God. All that come must be baptized and the hands laid on them that the greater promise of light might be given.

9 There shall be wars, pestilence, and plagues sweep the land; suffering among the people, for the people must learn that God has spoken.

10 Israel must be gathered[3], the Jews delivered to their ancient promised land, and the hearts of the people turned and prepared to meet their God.

11 As I have spoken—it is the command of the Lord—let all labor in their place and calling. The Lord calls many. Behold, he stands near and knocks[4]! To all that open unto him, he will send his Spirit; and those whom he loves, he will rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore and open unto him. I speak the words and will of the Lord.

12 Many will come to worship the Lord and because of those that keep and do his will, he will cause that they shall overcome: they that are patient[5] to keep his words shall be delivered from the hour of temptation. They that overcome shall drink of the water of life freely.

13 The harvest is white and the Lord knows the hearts of men, therefore, let Martin Case, Talmas Dean, Robert R. Rickman, John Wade, and Edward Vowles, be set apart as elders and let them labor in their place and calling; for many are honest of heart and are seeking for the light; take to them this message. Many will obey when they hear it.

14 There are those called for special work because of their faith; let them work in their calling.

15 Let F. E. Nelson, Kenneth Goff, John A. Neal, Jasper Dutton, R. H. Hutchinson, Frank Miller, Joseph Gersbacher, Leslie Ard, and R. A. Rieger, come into this work and let them be set apart as elders and God will use them to his honor and glory. Let Donald Dobson, Louis

[3] Message 28:6
[4] Revelation 3:20
[5] Revelation 3:10

Freeman, and Harry Hood, be set apart as deacons—let them be watchful and prayerful in all things. Let all be true to their calling.

16 All must remember this is the Lord's work, and all must come in by the door to assist in this great work. This is the Lord's directions; I speak his will.

17 I will come again to instruct, to direct until the Lord's will is accomplished. Amen."

He gave me some instructions of a personal nature which are not given here. He left at 4:30 a.m.

Forty-eighth Message

The Church of Christ General Assembly of June 1940. The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me June 17, at 2:30 a.m., in my room at 806 W. Lexington Street, Independence, Missouri, and gave the following message. He spoke as one having authority. The heavenly light accompanied him and remained for some time after he left. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Awake and take the message I will give you.

2 I have come as the Lord has appointed. I have given the word and it must be obeyed[1]; again I give words of encouragement and comfort for the children of men, and the Church of Christ. The spirit of peace will come to all that will obey and do the Lord's will.

3 By his Spirit he has felt after the honest and those that hear the servants the Lord has chosen will hear him.

4 'Thus saith the Lord, I have heard the prayers of my children, many of whom are truly humble before me. Blessed art thou, for I shall reward thee as your faith is, and that to your joy and peace. The hearts of the righteous shall be filled and their bosoms shall overflow with gladness.

5 Thus, I have assembled you here, and in the hour of your humility and solemnity, I have met with you. Yea, the evil powers that seek to destroy shall not have place among you. I have sent my messenger that peace may be restored and all my design of redemption may be fulfilled. In the

[1] Jacob 5:72

anguish and distress of your souls I have heard your cry. Therefore, let those that I have chosen be in their fields of labor that the people may be warned, that they will not have an excuse at the last day.

6 This is a day when much must be done that the ways and means of a real Zion shall be brought about. Let those that hinder be removed from their responsibility for in their doubts their minds have become darkened and they fear because I your Lord have called others. None shall take part in that which is holy until they have humbly prepared.

7 Verily I have felt after the hearts of men and I plead that they will hear when I call. Seek good and hate evil, and establish justice in the gate[2], for I have said I will be gracious, even unto Israel. Moreover, I shall deliver Joseph; I will deliver them from their bondage and gather the outcasts. And true Israel shall come rejoicing for I prepare a way of deliverance.

8 Thus saith your Lord, those that have robbed the widow and the fatherless have robbed me, and many suffer in darkness, not knowing my will, because there are those that shorten their hand, not rendering that which I require of them.

9 Oh, the days of judgment are upon you and I have sent among you the plagues and pestilences, the sword; and I have taken your horses[3], and the stink of the fields has become unpleasant, yet how slothful and disobedient my Israel is to learn of me. Return unto me[4], O ye of my ancient people, for I design to bring you out in gladness and rejoicing; deliverance will come to them that call upon me. Seek[5] the Lord and ye shall live.

10 Yet once, it is a little while, and the great shaking[6] of all nations and their desire for greed and spoil will be ripe and come to an end.

11 Behold! I have sent my Spirit among you and opened the gate, even designing your deliverance and a way of preparation. To the humble, the upright and just, my faithful, I shall give unto thee the greater light and power to carry on, for by my Spirit I shall use you to my name's honor and glory. I shall deliver my people Israel from whence the evil one has bound them[7], and those that stretch forth their hands toward my holy

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[2] Amos 5:15
[3] III Nephi 21:14
[4] III Nephi 16:13
[5] Amos 5:6
[6] Haggai 2:6, 7
[7] II Nephi 9:45

place of peace shall find deliverance. For in Mount Zion and Jerusalem there shall be deliverance. I will give compassion and hear your supplications. Oh ye my people, mine inheritance[8], hear ye my words.

12 I have chosen ye my servants this day and my eyes shall be open toward you and I will hear your prayers before my children. I will hearken in all that you call for unto me. I will make known to all the earth that I am God, and there is none else[9], saith your Lord.'

13 I am the Messenger sent from the Lord and I come to do his will. My name is John. I am the forerunner of Christ, I shall prepare the way. I shall bring the word, that a people may know the Lord has spoken. His former signet shall be upon one today, and he will cause that desire to come that the house of God, the temple of the Lord, may be built for it shall be done. Therefore, let your hearts be perfect with the Lord your God, walking in his statutes, and keeping his commandments which he speaks as at this day.

14 The evil one shall not destroy the elect—but be very humble that you be not led into despair. The Lord will manifest himself in marvelous ways. The wicked destroy themselves, and the just[10] live by faith.

15 Be ye comforted one and all; let not your hearts be troubled. The Lord is mindful and he knoweth the desires of each heart. He will bless you and cause that you may have great joy, all ye that obey his will, for in him is salvation.

16 He hears the prayers of his children and will answer to your gladness. Therefore, I come that the plan of God shall be complete and the words the prophets of old have spoken of this day may all be fulfilled, for they spoke unto my coming. I speak the words and will of the Lord and I shall direct in this work. The signet one shall rise up and disperse confusion and cause to be brought together many that will obey the will of the Lord, and that a people will be raised up to build the temple of the Lord.

17 Worry not about those things over which you have no control, but tell the truth in humility. Fear not what men will say of you. Be very humble and the Lord will reveal to all them that seek him in faith and will heed his will.

18 Those that do evil and disobey and those that hear not will destroy themselves.

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[8] Deut. 32:9
[9] Isaiah 45:22
[10] Habakkuk 2:4

19 The Lord will turn and bless his little ones, the Colored[11] and the Indians, for many shall come forth and be made white even as the whiteness of saints, for they shall be made pure, as the Lord has promised to make clean a people, and all must be made clean and pure and holy in his sight.

20 The earth will tremble and men's hearts will fear because of the many changes that will take place. The saints shall be tried and made pure[12].

21 Let all be at work that the warning may go. Let those prepare to take the fields as I have told you, for soon the gospel message will be taken to other nations; the temple must be built.

22 Send the message to the world; the Lord has given the vision and it must be sent to all, that they may know what is coming to pass.

23 Let Arthur Roberts and Marion C. Vowles be set apart as elders. Let the Lord's servant, Roberts, come into this work and from there he will carry the message to others. Soon the message will be preached in Australia and New Zealand; prepare to send the authority there, that they may hear of this message of life.

24 It is the will of the Lord that you take your place in the quorum of twelve; there are those that will not be sustained. There are those the Lord has called that will not accept at this time. Be at peace; the Lord pleads, and pleads; come all ye that will for the Lord will bless you.

25 I have spoken the Lord's will. I am your fellow servant; I am sent of the Lord. My name is John.

26 I will come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

The Messenger left at 4 a.m. I was sitting up in bed as I wrote. He sat on the bed near my feet. He watched the paper as I wrote word for word as he gave the message.

[11] II Nephi 26:33; Jacob 2:21; I Nephi 17:35
[12] Daniel 12:10

Forty-ninth Message

While in southeast Missouri at the home of Brother and Sister William O. Stearns, at Bernie, the Messenger, John the Baptist, appeared in my room at 12 midnight, September 15, 1940, and left the following message. The room was lighter than at noonday. He spoke with authority, kindly and stern. I wrote the words as he spoke them. He left at 2:28 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, again I come to give instructions to the Church. I speak the will of the Lord. It is life to those that obey it. Write the message as I shall give it. The decrees of God are[1] unalterable—let no man change them. Let no one speak lightly of the words I bring. I am the Messenger of the Lord and I speak his will.

2 Yea, blessed are all they that seek to bring forth and establish the cause of Zion[2], a nation[3] of peace. All that will obtain the words of the Lord and his will obey, shall have right to the tree of life[4].

3 'Behold, saith the Lord, the field is white already and the harvest is ripe. Let those that will, come unto me that they all may obtain life and obtain it more abundantly[5]. Yea, whosoever will thrust in their sickle to reap is doing my will, and if they endure to the end the same shall obtain my gift, even the gift of eternal life. For by my Spirit I shall feel after mankind, and the honest in heart will come unto me. Lo, I have spoken and my word shall not return unto me void[6].

4 My Church shall be more firmly established and my gifts[7] and blessings shall be among them that believe, saith your Lord, for it is I, even the Christ that speaketh. Yea, my mission[8] shall be fully accomplished and the Father see it well done.

5 Behold, the world is ripened[9] in iniquity and it must needs be that mankind be stirred to repentance. Blessed are all they that hear and

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[1] Alma 41:8
[2] I Nephi 13:37
[3] II Nephi 10:11-13
[4] Alma 32:39
[5] John 10:10
[6] Isaiah 55:11
[7] Moroni 10:24, 25
[8] I Corinthians 15:24, 25
[9] Ether 21:9, 10

cometh to me for I shall make them white and pure; they are my sheep[10] and they follow not another.

6 I have sent my messenger and he speaks my words, thus all that defend my cause, do well, and shall receive of my Spirit in abundance. Verily, verily, I say, my Church shall never again be destroyed[11] but shall continue on until my purpose is accomplished that the works of darkness be destroyed, Israel gathered and my people freed from bondage whereunto they have been bound by traditions and sins of men. My words shall judge all men. Yea, heed my voice in all things, keep my full law, even obedience to my messenger whom I have sent and will yet send that the words of the prophets may be fulfilled and the reign of peace break forth.

7 The voice of gladness shall be heard and Israel shall come forth in righteousness. Preach my gospel for it shall be the law even unto the ends of the earth. Thus I have spoken saith your Lord.'

8 Let the work continue in all parts, many are coming to do the Lord's will. Let all be up and doing for their responsibility is to represent Christ and his Church. Those that would be his bride must come in by the door[12] and be baptized. Let the hands be laid on all that the Lord will confirm their work by the Holy Ghost.

9 There are many that have long represented Christ. Those that will hear his voice in very deed will come into the Church of Christ that is again being established with all its gifts[13] and blessings, and represent Christ and his Church.

10 Let all pay their tithes that their works may stand the tests when the trying times come. The Lord will bless them and they shall not want[14] for the way of deliverance shall be theirs.

11 Come, ye that seek truth, Christ will come to his own and his Church. Remember there is safety in the light I have brought. The Lord's covenant[15] shall be fulfilled and this nation cleansed and Zion shall be set up with gladness.

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[10] III Nephi 18:31; I Nephi 22:25
[11] Message 13:6; Message 39:11
[12] II Nephi 9:41
[13] Moroni 10:24, 25
[14] Isaiah 1:19
[15] I Nephi 15:18; I Nephi 22:9

12 This is the midnight cry[16], prepare, make his paths straight. Be wise in the way of the Lord; let all be humble and seek not after praise of men[17], nor the love of gain.

13 Let all the servants be at work among the people. Let W. E. Baughman, J. W. Lilbourne, Alvin Pape, Robert G. Newby, Harry J. Seymour, Gilbert H. Shultz, Bert Plagens, and F. D. Cosburn be set apart as elders. Let them carry the message to others for the Lord knows their hearts and he will bless their efforts and as their faith is their works shall be. The Lord shall give greater faith to all that do his will.

14 Let these that I shall give you come into this work and take up the work as elders to represent Christ and his Church: W. H. Lunbeck, Richard Isaac, James Joslin, Gale Blackledge, H. L. Woelber, Leonard L. Abbott, E. G. Glaeser, Henry Knudson, Martin L. Glaeser, Willard E. Glaeser, George Johnson, Paul Neidermeyer, Jake Brown, L. M. Clark,

W. L. Martin and J. G. Jenkins. The Lord will be with them and confirm their work by his Holy Spirit.

15 Let George E. Ford, William C. Leer, and Melvin Mallory be set apart as teachers. The Lord shall bless them if they will be humble and his Spirit shall be upon them.

16 Let Floyd E. Bechtel, and Clarence Parks be set apart as deacons. Let them do all things that is their duty that the house of God may have order.

17 Let W. O. Stearns be added to bishops and he with the bishops counsel together much, that their work may be pleasing unto the Lord in all things, and let Paul Neidermeyer prepare that when a vacancy comes in the quorum of bishops that he shall be set apart in this office. The Lord has seen his efforts and if he will heed the whispering of the Spirit he shall be among the faithful and chosen of the Lord—this is the Lord's word to all.

18 Let Armstrong and Griffith prepare to sail to Australia this year that the gospel in its purity and greater light may be taken there—for there are many honest of Israel in Australia and New Zealand. Let them take the authority there for the Lord goes with them, and he gives his angels charge before them.

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[16] Matt. 25:6
[17] Luke 6:26

19 That the Church may be more firmly established, the Lord will call evangelists in this work and if these men will be humble the Lord will bless their efforts. Let them travel with the message for it shall bring life to many. Therefore, let E. G. Glaeser, Robert G. Newby, Martin L. Glaeser, Willard E. Glaeser, H. L. Woelber, and L. M. Clark with authority as elders—let them also be set apart as evangelists and their work shall be confirmed by the power of the Holy Ghost.

20 I have spoken the words and will of the Lord; I am the Messenger sent from God; I come to set in order; I come that the work may be fully established; I come to bring the warning of Christ's soon coming. Let all have faith. Preach repentance and baptism that the way of the Lord shall be among men. His Kingdom shall fill[18] the whole earth. Soon it shall go to other nations, for the Lord has reserved those that will defend this cause of salvation unto men. I speak the will of the Lord. I am John the Elias which was for to come.

21 Those that heed and obey, overcoming, shall stand with him in eternity.

22 I bring peace to the Church. I leave peace with you. Tell the truth in humility. Send this message to the brethren, with the rest, and to the Church.

23 I shall come again as the Lord will direct. I am the same John that preached repentance in the wilderness. Amen."

[18] Daniel 2:35

Fiftieth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared at 2:30 a.m., March 23, 1941, at my bedside while at the home of James R. Orris, 1444 Newport, Denver, Colorado. The room was filled with light, and it remained for some time after he left. He spoke with authority, slowly and distinctly. I wrote as he gave the message, after which we visited a few minutes as two men on many things of the Kingdom. He left at 3:45 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and write the message I will give you.

2 Behold, I come again with a message from the Lord. I am sent of the Lord to you at this place and at this time. I am the Messenger to bring the warning. I come from the presence of the Lord. I am the Elias, and my name is John. My message is one of love and deliverance to those that heed and obey it.

3 The Lord has designed his decree, and it shall come to pass that all who will learn his will, obey his law, and endure, shall be counted his bride at his appearing.

4 The greatest peril is on, and destruction upon destruction, suffering and evil, are everywhere, but the Lord shall be jealous[1] for his people, for Israel shall be delivered and be made his elect through the knowledge of the Lord's choosing, in their faith.

5 The plagues have been let; and to destroy with fury; until the people cry unto the Lord.

6 Arise, ye ancient chosen of the Lord—the Lord is your deliverer. The vision[2] has been; and many will yet know I have come of the Lord, and that this work of the Lord is true. Few have heeded, but many are seeking. Take to them the message of life. Let the glad tidings ring forth and the words of deliverance sound, even unto other nations. Hasten! the Lord has spoken! Let the servants be swift to his command. Remember Job; his trials did not destroy his faith[3]. Yet lacked he anything? He endured and found peace with God.

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[1] Deut. 5:9; Ezekiel 39:25-29
[2] Message 29:16-26; Message 45
[3] Job 19:25-27; Message 56:6; Message 119:6

7 You have seen the weakness of man. You have seen the evil plan to destroy. You have seen darkness cloud the minds of those who doubt and oppose the work of the Lord. Be not moved; be true; some have heeded the whisperings of Satan, and he has led them astray; let it not be so with you. As I say to you, so say I to all. For this is the day of the Lord, and his will must be done. Deliverance will come to the faithful.

8 The Lord has spoken in times past, but few have heeded, for in their hearts they have heaped decrees unto themselves, and the will of the Lord they have forgotten. Again the Lord speaks—I come to bring his words. Let this message be taken to all parts of this nation, Alaska and Canada. Let the message be taken to Australia. The Lord sees the efforts of his servants. It is his will, and it shall come to pass. The great awakening is on.

9 The harvest is on, the wheat and the tares have grown together[4]. The cleansing time has come. Heed the instructions I bring from the Lord. I have come that man may know the Lord has spoken and that Christ's coming is near at hand. Study the word of the Lord for the instruction is sent. Obey, and it will be well with you. Heed ye, you that are afar off! The Lord will deliver. Let more be sent into the harvest field. The time is ripe. Let those that hinder have no part in this work, the Lord calls others to carry the work on. The authority and trust that was placed on some, they have denied; some have opposed; and doubt has caused them to sin in not defending the truth and the word of the Lord.

10 I come to bring courage. Be not moved at the evil, nor the snare that is laid for you. There are those that have been and will be true. Their reward is sure. Those that are traitors will not be called his jewels at the last day. Remember the Lord. He is your strength. Let peace follow you wherever you go.

11 Let all heed the will of the Lord. The faith of many shall be tried. Many will fall by the way. Many are called but few chosen. Few are faithful. They that be with him when he comes shall be called, chosen and faithful. Some will be called to take the message afar, for many are honest of heart and seeking for light. His glorious voice shall be heard, for, in the lightening, the indignation of his anger, and in the flame, Assyria shall be tried, scattered, beaten, and shall fall.

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[4] Matt. 13:30

12 The three unclean spirits[5] have gone out bringing bondage, suffering, and idolatry. They deceive and they are not the justice of the Lord. This generation of mankind shall not all pass away, for the Son of man shall come in his glory. This is the time the prophets spoke of, in man's inventions, destructions, and war. Like clouds the enemy has gone over, and in noise they destroy; but Israel shall be delivered and brought to the land the Lord God has decreed her boundary. The Lord of lords shall be their King[6], and the gospel, their law forever. For he shall rule from sea to sea and all nations will obey him.

13 Storms and earthquakes shall come and the nations must know[7] the Lord is God.

14 Be pleasant in your work; be of good cheer. Let your hearts be glad. Trust not in the arm of flesh. And to you, my fellow servant, write your letters of kindness, in love that others may be encouraged; for this is your work. Let the Lord direct by his Spirit. He will lead you. Worry not what man may say of you. The call goes out and the honest in heart will hear. Nothing is impossible with God and so all the faithful shall learn his law, and obedience shall bring them rest.

15 I will come as the Lord directs. Send this message to the brethren, and the Church, for many have prayed to know. I have come. Let not man deceive himself for the Lord has spoken. I leave peace with you."

Fifty-first Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me at my room, 526 West Maple Street, Independence, Missouri, 2:30 o'clock a.m., June 11, 1941. He commanded me to arise and take the message that he would give and I obeyed. He said: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come again to give instructions to the Church. The Lord your God has sent me. I come from his presence and my name is John. I am the Messenger of the Lord. I speak his words.

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[5] Revelation 16:13
[6] II Nephi 10, 12, 13
[7] Isaiah 26:9, 10; Enos 1:23

2 I come that the plan of God will be fulfilled, for the words the prophets of old have spoken shall come to pass. Let this message be sent to the ends of the earth, and the gospel preached, for the Lord will reveal to the honest in heart of his truth and of my coming that the work may be established.

3 The Lord God hears the prayers of those that seek him. He has heard the prayers of his servants and the plea of his people.

4 Therefore, the new light is promised. Continue to prepare for it. The greater your understanding the greater your work shall be. All must sanctify their lives unto the Lord, for sin cannot receive the glory of the Lord nor the power of the Lamb slain.

5 Some do not understand but let them be humble[8] and the greater light shall come in its fullness. Live[9] in the Lord, walk in the way of salvation; the Lord has not yet entrusted the greatest unto his servants, but it shall be, for all must learn the full plan of God.

6 As I have told you, there are those that are called for special work. There are those that have been raised up that this work might be carried on. Many have been true, some have not. The hearts that are honest before the Lord will find place with him as they obey his wise design.

7 Fear not, the words I bring are from the Lord. I speak at his command. Greater things shall be revealed for in principle and in power by the Spirit of the Lord all righteousness shall be brought about.

8 Thus saith the Lord your God, 'Let my servant Emmanuel G. Glaeser come into this work and take up his calling and I will be with him. Lo, I have raised him up for my cause. I will bless his home and those of his loved ones, for in joy they shall know I have spoken.

9 Come all ye faithful and I will open the way before you, I will bless your efforts, and my Spirit shall fill your souls with joy.

10 I have sent my servant John to reveal my will—and he shall yet come, as much shall be done; for this work was he born, to prepare[10] the way before me. I am your Lord, I change not. I speak to the ends of the earth. Repent ye, for my Kingdom is among men.

11 Let peace dwell in your hearts for I shall quicken many and my plan shall be fulfilled, saith your Lord.'

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[8] Alma 12:10, 11
[9] John 11:26
[10] Luke 1:76

12 Let these men come into this work in full purpose of heart and take up their work as elders. Let them be set apart: C. D. McCormack, Carl Franks, H. E. Bryant, A. R. Rendon,

A. F. Brace, J. E. Taylor, W. N. Lemmon and Paul Costa. The Lord has heard their prayers and felt after them. He will bless them if they will heed his voice; for this is the great responsibility given to man. Let William L. Davis take up his work.

13 Let Charles B. Harvey and J. W. Derr be set apart as elders for the Lord has need of them. Let Arthur Sheldon be set apart as a deacon. Let Martin Case, as an evangelist, be in the field.

14 Let more be sent into the field for the harvest is white—therefore, as much as possible let all be up and doing.

15 The Lord knows your burdens. He will provide. Fear not man, this is the Lord's work and I will come to direct as the Lord your God will command. By his Spirit he will search the hearts of mankind, and the greater light and power shall be among you as you prepare for it.

16 I come from the presence of the Lord. I am your fellow servant and my name is John. I am the Elias. I cried repentance in the wilderness. Again I cry repentance that the plan of God might be fulfilled. Be watchful unto prayer and the Lord will hear you and much shall yet be done to the glory of God.

17 Let your faith be firm as Job, who humbled[11] himself before God.

18 The words I speak are for the Church. Give them to the brethren. Let them be sent that the message of life and Christ's soon coming may go to all mankind.

19 I leave peace with you and the Church.

20 I shall come again."

[11] Job 42:1-6

Fifty-second Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared in my room 3:20 a.m., October 4, 1941. He came from the presence of the Lord and spoke as one having authority. I plead with you that know it not as yet, go to God in all humility and ask in faith as to the truthfulness of the coming of John the Baptist, the Elias clothed in light and power, and it will be made known to you by the power of the Holy Ghost.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Awake! Behold I come again. Take the message I will give you. I come from the Lord God for he is over all, even all his wise design. Yea, those that are faithful unto the instructions I bring shall no more be confounded.

2 This is the day of judgments; and the famines, pestilences and plagues will come and have come as I told you. There will be suffering, because of the evil one, to deceive and hinder. Men will oppose the hand that feeds them; they will mistrust their fellows because of the evil and unrest among them.

3 There will be those that contend against the word of the Lord. They shall be accursed, for unto them the Lord will show no greater thing[12]. Those that are not humble and forgiving, obedient to the truth, shall fall by the way.

4 'But, to the faithful, thus saith the Lord, Heaken! Ye, my servants; arise to your calling. Oh, I have plead! Few have heard. If you believe in God believe also in me, for it is my words that shall judge you in the end, for I am the Eternal One!

5 Now, therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my commandments, overcoming in all things, then shall ye be called delightful, and a peculiar[13] people unto me, for thou wilt be called righteous.

6 Sanctify the congregations in my sight, saith your Lord. Great responsibility is given unto you men; fail not, lest the judgment be bitter unto you and the people be left in darkness.'

[12] Ether 4:13; Ether 4:8
[13] Deut. 14:2; I Peter 2:9

7 There shall be deliverance in Mount Zion, and in Jerusalem and with the remnant[14] whom God shall call, for there shall be a refuge for all those that look to God and obey his design.

8 All evil shall be destroyed and the earth shall be restored to its former beauty for the time will be shortened[15], that the elect of the Lord may be saved. They shall find safety in the Lord in obedience to his will. Sin will not have hold on them and they shall be preserved and arrayed in peace. But the waters of the wicked shall be burned up and their idols shall melt away, for the Lord is God—he is God.

9 Let love dwell in your hearts that he may dwell in you and his love be perfected, and that you may stand in the day of judgment.

10 Let all move in the will of the Lord and he will touch them and greater power in love will be theirs to enjoy; bringing together many that shall find peace to their souls in their Redeemer manifested.

11 Let the Voice of Warning go in peace as you have done. Keep away from contentions; they will lead to evil doing.

12 Those that reject me and the words I bring from the Lord have rejected the Lord and his words, and are not in this work because they obey not but oppose and deny that which God has given and called them to proclaim to mankind, that they may not have an excuse at the last day.

13 Unto the servants of the Lord: except you make ready and quickly prepare your hearts before the Lord the greater light will not come to you. But you that overcome bearing the fruits of his Spirit, do, and shall, understand great things of the plan and design of God. Much will yet be revealed—even the record that shall prove and reprove all men, berating them before God and their fellowmen that a new day may come forth.

14 Let all be humble and repentant. Grieve not the Lord in slothfulness. Let not your goings displease him, nor become shameful in disobedience and justification[16] in evil doings and that against the gospel law. Betray not one another, but love your brother. Some have been untrue to their fellows; their end will be sad for in their hearts they know the better way, yet fail to obey. Blessed be those that are true, for they shall shine[17] forth in brightness in peace of God. All men must overcome besieging sins. The world in sin is retrograde to the plan of God.

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[14] Joel 2:32
[15] Matt. 24:22
[16] Luke 16:15
[17] Matt. 13:43

15 At this time let there be added to the quorum of twelve Harold J. Pritchard, let him be humble and at peace, for the day comes when more shall be given. Some will find the greater portion of love because of their faith.

16 Let H. M. Stonehocker, Robert Wilkins, and C. E. Irwin be set apart as evangelists. Let them be at work; the Lord will reveal his will to them. Let C. E. Irwin work among the Indians for this is his calling and place in this work at this time.

17 To those that seek to find truth: let them come in by the door and the Lord will bless them, for this is the way to peace and eternity with God.

18 Therefore; let John Bracken, Lloyd Ford, John S. Seiffert, George William Draves, George T. Morris, David Spitler, William Pearl Brown, and my servant William Branham be set apart as elders. Let them be very humble and swift to obedience, and the greater portion of the Spirit will come over them to lead the way. Let them be at work, for the Lord has heard their prayers.

19 Thus saith the Lord, 'Yea, my servant Glaeser, I have heard your prayers and yours shall have place with me, as I have called them, and their work is great before me when they come into this way. Yea, I have spoken,' saith the Lord.

20 Let the work move on—let William Thomas Pascal be set apart as a teacher. Let him teach the word for there are those to hear.

21 Let Rony Paschall remember he is a servant of the Lord and the Lord has called him and will yet bless him if he will continue in humility to look to his way. His home shall be a blessing unto many, for peace shall be there.

22 The Lord has seen the humility of many and felt after them and blessed their work. Let all pay their oblations to the Lord that the work may move on. There are those that obey his law and are blessed; so shall it be that greater peace will come to them and they shall be delivered when the trying times come.

23 Rejoice in the work and neglect not your calling. I speak to you, my fellow servant. Remember, many seek the peace that I bring. Write your letters in love and kindness that truth may be the standard with the Spirit of the Lord to direct.

24 Worry not about those things over which you have no control. Be not led into despair nor contention. The Lord accepts your work and in that

of your writings and that to carry the truth. For the Church of Christ shall never again be destroyed[18], but the pruning shall come and the true branches survive and bring forth much fruit.

25 Be at peace with all men. Pray to the Lord your God; he will deliver the elect.

26 I leave peace of God with you. I am your fellow servant and my name is John. I am the forerunner of Christ. I come from his presence. I will come again. I come to you and not to another as yet; but I bring peace and a record that others may know the Lord has sent me. I speak in your language as also the word to others in their language that other nations may have the plan of God.

27 As soon as it can be arranged let the servants the Lord has chosen be on their way to Australia—as there are many there of Israel who will hear.

28 This is the word of the Lord. I speak his will. Send this to your brethren and the Church. I have come in the past and I will come in the future that the way may be made plain to those that will hear and obey, that they may be saved and united with the righteous of the Lord.

29 I preached repentance in the wilderness and I cry repentance again amid confusion and distress among the nations, that the way of deliverance may be known. I am the Elias, I am he to deal prudently[19] and my name is John. Many have prayed that I come again. The evil has hindered but not to destruction. The Lord your God is just. Amen."

Fifty-third Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me in my room while at the home of Brother W. C. Lear, near Dayville, Grant County, Oregon, December 2, 1941, at 2:30 a.m. The heavenly light that always accompanies the Messenger filled my room and its presence awoke me. Immediately he appeared and said, "I come with a message." I arose and wrote the words as he spoke them, thus:
-- W.A. Draves

[18] Message 13:6
[19] Isaiah 52:13

1 “I come again from the presence of the Lord your God. I am the Messenger of the Covenant and my name is John. I am sent to bring the message, to prepare the way. I come not of myself but the Lord God has sent me with the warning that the hour[20] of his judgment is on and his coming near. This is the closing time, a time of haste. I bring a warning, and that the restitution of all things might be.

2 I come from the presence of the Lord. I am the Elias which was for to come. I am the man sent from God. I am he that cried repentance in the wilderness. I am the Messenger spoken of by the prophets of old. I am John the Baptist. My message is one of love to all people and nations, color or race.

3 Give ear, Oh ye people of the earth. Hear the warning today. I speak the words and will of the Lord. Let all have faith. Turn to the Lord and obey his commands. Heed repentance and baptism that the way of the Lord shall be among men; his Kingdom shall fill the whole earth. The hands must be laid upon all that the greater light might come to them.

4 Again the poor have the gospel preached to them. I come with a message of life—heed ye the written word; let not man speak his way for his heart is full of selfishness.

5 God has decreed his plan and it shall be fulfilled. Israel shall come forth[21] rejoicing from their dispersion and hiding place, for this gospel shall be preached in all the earth then shall the end come.

6 The turmoil is on. The greatest peril shall fill its place and mankind will inquire[22] of the Lord their God. Their idols shall melt away; for the law shall go forth from Zion, cleansing the hearts of men. They shall stand before, being ministered unto for I come to give light, to instruct, to call, and to point the way.

7 Moreover, the word of the Lord shall be fulfilled and even John[23] shall prophesy unto many nations, kindreds, tongues and peoples; even now he is and was and yet is among men. The day cometh when the greater power shall be among men, given of God. Yea even as it were Elijah they shall stand forth, for, for this cause the Lord saith, ‘I am their God.’

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[20] Revelation 14:6, 7
[21] Ezekiel 28:25, 26
[22] Ezekiel 36:37
[23] Revelation 10:11

8 The great work is to be among men. None are lost[24] to the Father—he knoweth them all. They that are of peace[25] shall stand forth.

9 All that sin and do iniquity shall be cut off lest they repent ere it is too late and they be taken to the beyonds in their filth. For the consummation is proclaimed and the indignation[26] is on. The gates have been opened that deliverance will come to all who will heed and obey; for the warning is to the ends of the earth, upon the north sides and the indwelling, and a new language shall come forth.

10 Yea, I have brought a warning and few prepare for the greater light[27], but be thou faithful even all who hear, for the Lord's will shall be fulfilled in all things. All have their work to do and the day comes when the Lord shall breathe upon the chosen and they shall do his work in mighty power for their love toward the brethren. All that offend and that do not keep his commandments shall not be his in the last day. Moreover, it is Christ's words that shall judge all men.

11 Those that prepare for it shall have the gift to cast out devils, and to proclaim the mysteries[28] of the Kingdom; for this is the authority of the Son of God.

12 Let all obey the pattern given. Let all be humble and prepare themselves that the greater light may come to them.

13 Let W. C. Lear, Elmer Hitchcock, J. L. Weins, and David S. Smith be set apart as elders. Let them take up their work preaching and teaching for the Lord will bless their work as they proclaim the doctrine of life.

14 Let R. A. Rieger be added to the quorum of bishops that the quorum might be filled. Let him work in harmony, for the stewardship is of the Lord, and all must give an account of their work at the judgment. Let the bishops reason together. Let the twelve and bishops counsel together much that the Spirit of God may remain among them.

15 There are those the Lord is pleased with their efforts, let them continue.

16 There are those that defend this cause. Greater light and understanding shall be given them, for I bring peace of the Lord.

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[24] III Nephi 17:4
[25] Message 19:14
[26] Isaiah 26:20
[27] Message 12
[28] Alma 12:10, 11

17 Be at peace with all men, let love fill your hearts.

18 Send this to the brethren, the Church. Let it go to all mankind, I speak the Lord's words. I come to you at this time and at this home. I have come in the past and will come again. Amen."

Fifty-fourth Message

John the Baptist, the Messenger of the Lord, appeared in my room, March 9, 1942, at 3:20 a.m., and gave the following message. The light and power accompanied him. I wrote the words as he gave them. He left at 4:30.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come to you from the Lord your God. I come from his presence. I am the Messenger of the Lord and my name is John.

2 The Lord has heard your prayers and seen your humility. He has forgiven thee and thy brethren of their sins, but remember, you must not sin more for the Lord's Spirit will not always strive with man.

3 Remember I told you not to take honor unto yourself. Beware lest you fall as them in times past. Moses displeased the Lord in the honor of his power and was not in the promised land. Let it not be so with you. Others fell by the way, not having the wisdom of God, seeking their own and not the honor of God.

4 Speak not lightly of the things I have told you, but tell the truth. Remember, Satan will tempt you and cause you to fall if you would. Let it not be so with you.

5 The Lord has raised up those to defend this cause. Your brethren love you and will uphold you if you will be true.

6 This work shall continue on, for love is the message I bring. The Church of Christ shall never again be destroyed. The evil shall not prevail against her for she shall be adorned with a crown of twelve bright stars and garments of righteousness.

7 Oh, ye servants of the Lord, ye apostles whom the Lord has called, stand ye together, be in unison, uphold your brother. Remember the Lord has chosen you men for special witnesses to his work this closing hour.

8 ‘Yea, thus saith the Lord, my young servant is one with you. The adversary has sought to have him. Behold, I have used you to deliver, for it is I that have chosen and I shall deliver the elect; for I have spoken and sent my messenger that my Church may be established in its completeness, and the gospel of my Kingdom preached to all the world, then shall the end come. I have chosen the weak and unlearned to bring about my wise purpose, saith the Lord.’

9 Let all labor that can, that the work may go on in all parts, but see that all preach and teach the same thing as is found in the Bible and Record of the Nephites as I told you.

10 You have borne witness to the Church, of my coming to you. The time soon comes when you with your brethren must bear greater witness to the world of the message I bring. Be not faint hearted, but rejoice, for the message you bear will bring light, life, happiness and peace to many, for I have spoken the words and will of the Lord.

11 The Lord has chastened you. Others have been chastened, that the peaceful fruits of righteousness shall be the yield.

12 Let the warning message go as fast as the way is prepared, for the Lord will provide.

13 ‘Thus saith the Lord, let my servants Lewis and Lear prepare that they may be set apart to fill the vacancies in my house as apostles. Let all work together in love, for great is the responsibility before you. Be humble and let your light shine. Be at peace with all men. Come before me in humility and meet in your assembly and I will meet with you. Love one another; bear ye each others burdens; remember what I have suffered for you that a way of deliverance might be. Behold, I will give greater light and power as my people will prepare for it.

14 Let A. G. Haggberg be set apart as an evangelist. Let my servant Moss take up his work for I the Lord have seen his humility. Let Jerry E. Barhyte and Elmer E. Watson be set apart as elders. Let them be mindful of their calling for there is much to be done. Let Richard G. Jones be set apart as a deacon to assist in the work. Let W. C. Hill take up the work as pastor over the flock at Nucla, at present, that they be not scattered, but that they may be fed and it will be well with them. Let all be humble for many conditions will come that shall try many. Many shall be chastened that their works may stand the test.

15 Let the moneys be sent in that more may take the fields, for the harvest is on and the sheaves are ungathered.

16 Keep the warning message going to all parts of this land, for this nation shall be cleansed then it shall be Zion. Therefore, the Church of Christ shall do her work, but it shall be done in haste. Lo, a mighty awakening is on.'

17 Give this message to the brethren. Let it go to all. I have come to you from the Lord and not to another. For this work were you born. Keep your calling sacred. I will come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

Fifty-fifth Message

On the morning of June 8, 1942, at 2:12 the Messenger of the Lord appeared to me at my room at 521 W. Lexington, Independence, Missouri. He stood by my bedside and gave the following message. I wrote it as he spoke the words. The light accompanied him and the power of the Lord was upon him. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise! Behold, I come again. Write the message I will give you. I come from the presence of the Lord God. I bring the instructions and words he has sent. My message is one of love to all those who will obey it. The words I bring will bring life and peace unto all those that shape their lives by them. Fear not, the Lord has sent me.

2 I am the Messenger of the Lord. I am the Messenger to bring the warning and my name is John. I come that full repentance and remission of sins might be taught and I bring the word of the Lord.

3 The warning[1] message is sent that mankind may have light and life—I bring the last for Christ's coming is near at hand.

4 Remember, I have told you this is the day of judgment and the plagues have been let. The evil one has gone forth to destroy; but in the end the Lord will rule for in the lightning and in the flame he shall be cut off, he and all his powers. The gospel shall be the law and all men will obey the Lord. The sufferings have come and will come because of the evil one to deceive and hinder. Mistrust and unrest is among mankind because of the whisperings of Satan, but be ye the children of peace.

[1] Matt. 25:6

5 Remember, I told you there are those that contend against the word of the Lord. Their minds are filled with doubts and unbelief and they cannot see the hand of God move in this work. Hate in the heart of man has destroyed many. There are those that hate you and the message I bring. Hate is not your work. I come to you in love. I bring a message of life to the Church that a people may be prepared in righteousness. Will they heed it and continue to follow?

6 Some that should be your fellow workers mistrust you and will not defend the message I bring; fear not, for the Lord rebukes them.

7 There are those that are true and will be true for they delight[2] in my coming as the prophets of old have spoken.

8 Fret not because of those who heed not their call, some will fail, some will repent. The day will come when in sorrow and regret some will learn obedience; others will go to destruction for the Lord will be slow to hear. Many are called, few[3] are chosen, few are faithful to the end.

9 The instructions have been given and will yet be given and they must be obeyed. Let those that will heed and obey continue on, let those that oppose and hinder be removed from the charge and responsibility for they have denied my coming and the Lord cannot use such, for this work is holy and it must be kept sacred. Let the faithful be firm and true, obedient to the words I bring for the Lord has sent me. Let all have faith in God.

10 Preach repentance[4] and baptism that mankind might find life eternal in the way of the Lord. Let the hands be laid on all; let the work continue in all places; let all who can and will take the message to mankind for the harvest is on and the sheaves are ungathered.

11 Therefore, let R. G. Newby be set apart as an apostle; let him be humble; let all be humble and filled with love for the Lord will reveal much by his Spirit. In time others will be called to fill the vacancies that shall come. Let Roy Lougheed be set apart as an evangelist; let him take the field and the Lord will bless him. The Lord has heard his prayer and will heal him.

12 There are those the Lord has touched by his Spirit that they might come into this work, for he will use them to his honor and glory. Let the

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[2] Malachi 3:1
[3] Matt. 22:14
[4] Acts 2:38

work among the Colored and the Indians continue for the Lord will bring many to the knowledge of the truth.

13 Give this message to the brethren and the Church. Be humble and the Spirit will bring joy to many. Keep your calling sacred for I come to do the will of the Lord; the words I bring are his words. Be at peace with all men. This is the Lord's work and he chooses the weak and the unlearned to bring about his wise purpose. I leave peace with you and the Church, and will come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

Fifty-sixth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, John the Baptist, appeared to me in my room while at the home of Elder Thomas Evanson, 315 Woodland Avenue, Jackson, Michigan, at 2:30 a.m., October 11, 1942, and instructed me to write the following message. He spoke kindly yet with firmness as one having authority. He spoke slowly and repeated at times as I wrote the words just as he gave them. The light of his resurrected presence filled the room. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and write the message I will give you.

2 I come to you at this time with words from the Lord your God. I am the Messenger of the Lord and I am sent to do his will. I am commanded to bring the instructions; to direct; to point the way to the Christ, and my name is John. I am the Elias. I come that the Church may build upon the foundation[1] Christ has laid. There is safety in the light I have brought and will yet bring. Therefore, follow the instructions I have given you.

3 Read the messages I have brought from time to time; study them. Moreover, heed the warning that is given, abide by the doctrine of Christ, teach it to all people, be ye united in your work. He that will heed the warning will gain thereby. Those that heed not will lose in the end. Be at peace with all men for the Lord will gather[2] his elect and they shall have peace with him.

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[1] I Corinthians 3:11
[2] Matt. 24:31

4 Remember the destructions have come and are coming, for the great controversy between Christ and Satan is on. Men will be tried and many will not be strong to stand because of fear. Remember to be humble, the Lord wants a tried people. Be true to the trust the Lord has placed upon you.

5 Let not contention be found among you. Let it not be that you contend over points of the doctrine of Christ. Let the Voice of Warning carry only that which will be peace. My message is one of love; let it gladden the hearts of all that will hear.

6 Thus saith the Lord, 'I will lead my people if they will be humble and keep my commandments. Hear ye that are honest of heart and will be humble before me. You shall be tried as Job and many shall learn obedience.'

7 I speak the Lord's words and I come that the word might be fulfilled, and the Kingdom of the Lord may be among mankind to redeem them.

8 Let all that seek to be the Lord's come al[3]l the way. Shape your lives by the words I bring and it will be well with you. Preach faith in the written words and the full plan of salvation and unto the will of the Father. I come that a way might be for man to endure.

9 Verily, thus saith the Lord, 'I have sent my messenger for to prune my vineyard even this last time. My Zion shall be redeemed as the prophets of old have spoken. I have led the children of Israel in days of old, so will I lead my people now as you come near unto me and obey my voice in the instructions I send for your cleansing. Yea, I am God and I change not.

10 Yea, verily, I have plead with you yet few arise quickly to obedience. Blessed are all those who drink of the water of life freely. Lift up, ye faithful for I am he who dwelleth on high. I will not leave you, therefore, lift up in faith and move in the strength I shall give, for I am your Redeemer and I will cause thee to stand.

11 Yea, I will cause strength to be upon you that my strange[4] act may be brought about. Nations shall yet know I have spoken and sent my Elias that all things may be in my planning. Bring forth my Zion and the righteous shall have victory over the oppressors. Enter in at the strait gate, abide and endure unto the end that ye may obtain life eternal.

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[3] John 6:66-68
[4] Isaiah 28:21; Message 6:5

Repent in a contrite spirit and bring your sacrifice of a broken heart. Let all pay their oblations to me and I will be your reward, saith your Lord.'

12 Let the servants counsel together much as you have been warned. Let all be sedate in a seemly manner.

13 Much of the instructions has not been followed. The weakness and slothfulness of man has caused the work to suffer. Therefore, the Lord commands that you heed the instructions I bring for it will be well with all those that obey.

14 There are those that are delusive to this cause. There are those that have denied my coming and speak lightly against this cause. The Lord has taken the authority and trust from them. Let Spilsbury and Bronson know that the authority and trust is taken from them because they have desired to walk no more with it, they have denied my coming and the Lord gives it unto others.

15 Let these that I shall give you be set apart as apostles in the Church of Christ that the quorum may again be full. Oliver Kenneth Goff, Warren M. Nellis, and Alfred Van Leuven. Let them know this office and calling is sacred and holy and must be kept so. Let them be at work. Let them go to the field for good shall come thereof. The way shall be opened.

16 There are those that have failed. Their faith is not strong in the Lord's work. Their minds become full of doubts and go in darkness. Some know not the Lord's Spirit nor the power of the Lamb slain. Some have their own way and will fail if they do not repent and abide by the instructions given. Man cannot deceive the Lord; he knoweth their hearts. He is merciful and longsuffering for he knoweth their desires. Some have failed, not being humble nor willing to obey. Fear not, for some will repent; some will fall by the way. They do not watch and pray.

17 Let the message be taken, let it go to the ends of the earth. Let it go for the Lord will provide and open the way. The message I bring is one of love to those that obey it.

18 Many[5] shall be made white and tried and have on robes of righteousness, but where the people will not study and learn the words I bring from the Lord they will grope in darkness. The Lord calls many that know not the plan of God, and the unlearned to bring about his decree.

[5] Daniel 12:10

19 Let Donald Dobson and Carl E. Pape be set apart as elders for the work of the Lord has need of them. Let them be humble and the Lord will bless by his Spirit.

20 Let D. T. Chapman, Earl Ewing and Wayne R. Richardson come into this work and be set apart as elders for the Lord knows their hearts and has heard their prayers and if they will not be discouraged over the weakness of man the Lord will lead them in all things.

21 Let E. G. Glaeser arrange to go into the field for much is to be done. The Lord will bless him.

22 Be at peace with all men for the gathering shall be and the dispersed will find refuge for the Lord hears the cry of saints and the righteous.

23 I leave peace with you, be not moved. I will come again. Amen."

Fifty-seventh Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me at my room at the Oliver home, 637 Millwood Road, Toronto, Canada, 3 a.m., December 9, 1942, and gave the following message. He spoke slowly and repeated the sentences so that I wrote exactly as he said the words. He spoke with authority. The power of the Lord was with him. The light from his presence filled the room. He left at 4:10 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come to you again—arise and write the words as I shall give them. I am your fellow servant. I am the Elias, the forerunner of Christ. I came to point the way to the Christ. I am he who preached repentance in the wilderness before the Lord and I come again to proclaim the acceptable way of the Lord and my name is John. Fear not, for I come that the way of the Lord might be among men and that faith and repentance shall be proclaimed.

2 The Lord your God wants a holy people, those that will humble themselves before him. He know the hearts of all and their desires. He knows your weakness and faith.

3 Satan also knows the weakness of man and he has sought to destroy. Remember I told you that he has sought to have[6] you. Many the Lord has

[6] Luke 22:31

called have failed. Let it not be so with you. The Lord has heard your prayers and repentance—be watchful unto prayer always, for there are those that rejoice because of offence and desire to overthrow you. The evil has come upon them. Some seek to destroy you and the message I bring, but they destroy themselves for the words I bring are from the Lord and will have their place. There are many that love the truth.

4 In the message I bring is life to all that will obey and defend them for the Lord has spoken it.

5 Let all be encouraged; let all know the greatness of this work for the word shall be fulfilled. The way of the Lord shall be. He will judge the quick and the dead for it is Christ's words that shall judge all men.

6 Fear not man; some hide in their sin and justify[7] themselves in hardness of heart. Yet they say, 'We love the Lord,' and know not his Spirit nor his goodness. Man's mind is continually evil unless he is filled with the Spirit of God.

7 There are those that doubt. Let them repent lest it be counted against them in their failing.

8 Remember, I told you, fear not for some would repent. If they are humble and defend this cause the Lord can yet use them.

9 Let the faithful be true that the spirit of peace will be upon you. Watch against the days to come wherein many will suffer but shape your lives by the words I bring and it will be well with you.

10 Behold, there is much yet to be done and much to be revealed to the coming to pass of much of the gathering of the houses of Israel. They shall know the Lord is their God. The promises shall be fulfilled and the record shall be known for it shall come in the Lord's planning. Be true to your calling, be humble in spirit, be at peace for Satan shall not destroy the Lord's work. The Church of Christ shall continue on until the Christ shall come, the temple built and the gathering complete. The gospel shall go to all nations, therefore I have come to bring the authority and it has been among men. The greater power shall be given as you prepare for it. Be not deceived by man for I am the Elias[8] which was for to come.

11 Thus saith the Lord your God, 'Let all be established in my doctrine, be not divided, be ye one in purpose, for I have designed the way. Oh ye my servants, I have called thee to be messengers of peace among my

[7] Luke 16:15
[8] Matt. 11:14

people. My love is unto you and I would have you love one another. Help ye one another and I will send deliverance unto you. My Spirit shall bless you if you will open your hearts to me. Bring my sheep into the fold for I shall be their King[9] and all mankind shall know I have spoken. The words I speak, even by my messenger, must be obeyed. Hear my voice today.'

12 The Lord will comfort all that come unto him, therefore be not troubled but lift up and rejoice, even all. Fail not lest the Lord turn to others; be overcomers in all things for Satan seeks to set thee at variance[10] one with another. Let it not be so.

13 Let Edward Sykes, Mansell Hanna, know that the Lord knows their hearts. Let them be set apart as elders. If they will be humble the Lord will bless them greatly in this work. Let them take up their work.

14 Let W. T. Wadsworth and E. H. Tiffin be set apart as priests, George Daniel and Kenneth Allison be set apart as deacons for the Lord's peace shall be upon them.

15 Let George A. Grigsby be set apart as an evangelist and as the way shall open let him be in the field.

16 Let F. W. Booth and A. J. Shephard come into this work and be set apart as elders. The Lord has heard their prayers and knows their honesty before him. The Spirit and peace shall be upon them as they obey the call.

17 Fret not but be at peace. Let all counsel together as I told you. Contend not but tell the truth. As I speak to you I speak to all. Turn from traditions of men and strange delusions. Let none be self-righteous[11] in this work.

18 I have come as the Lord appointed. I shall come again. I leave peace with you that you shall keep your calling sacred that the election might be sure in the Lord.

19 Let Harold J. Pritchard remain in the field for the Lord will send the greater peace. He has heard his prayers. Let C. M. Belcher arise to his calling and go into the field and the Lord will lead by his Spirit.

20 Let the message be translated into other languages as many shall yet learn the truth. Let the word be published—for it is the Lord's will.

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[9] II Nephi 10:11
[10] Galatians 5:20
[11] Luke 18:9-14

21 Send this to the brethren and to the Church—it will be well with all that heed for the gospel shall be the law forever.

22 The Lord has sent me and this is his word. Be true and your brethren will uphold you. Amen."

Fifty-eighth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, John the Baptist, appeared unto me in my room, Lenox Hotel, 6316 Dorchester Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on December 14, 1942, at 12:05 a.m., and left the following message. I arose when he commanded and wrote as he spoke. I had awakened just a few moments before he entered the room. The light of the resurrection was with him. He left at 1:12 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise my fellow servant and take the message I shall give. I come to you again with words from the Lord God. I am the Elias and my name is John.

2 The Lord rebukes thee for your rash act, and moreover, greater sin than grief shall be upon you if you deny my coming. I have come to you and I am sent from the Lord God. I have brought words of instructions but you have not heeded. Why did you fret so in fear when I have warned you? You fear man, even your own weakness. The Lord has seen your repentance and forgiven, but you have not gone to your brethren in love. Cease to be enwrapped in weakness and the faithful brethren will uphold thee.

3 I have given the message, and you have written as I commanded, but because of your own pride—the Lord has allowed that which will test your faith. Be firm for the Lord knows that which he has commanded me to say, for thus saith the Lord, 'Oh ye my servant, what have ye done to speak lightly of my words which I have sent by my messenger? Why have you let Satan discourage? Why have you felt void of my Spirit? Verily, verily, I say, it is because you have not fully heeded the instructions I have sent. You are one of mine apostles in my Church and Kingdom. Therefore, carry on, and I will not forsake you. I your Lord have appointed thee.

4 Oh ye my servants, why have you acted hastily? I have sent you to be saviors of men and not to destroy[12]. My love is unto you. Uphold one another, for this is my work. I have chosen and appointed you, my anointed with authority. This only is taken from man when he denies me, and the words I speak, even by my messenger.

5 Verily, I have heard the prayers of my servant Bronson and if he will defend this cause I shall bless him and he shall yet do much good before me, saith your Lord.'

6 The Lord only takes the responsibility and authority from man when he denies it; and he hears those that are repentant before him. Go to your brethren, adjust conditions before them, speak not lightly of their efforts, be at peace. Take up your calling more sacredly before them and they will uphold you. Man cannot glory[13] of himself in this work.

7 The message I bring must go to all the world; contend not and deny not my coming— this is the way the Lord has designed to send instructions that man need not doubt, but if you fail, sad will be your end. Be strong, be true, even unto one another. As I speak to you so speak I to all.

8 Remember, none have been faithful as they should—some have been negligent, some hard of heart. But let all take new courage, for I have spoken, and the day comes when I shall appear unto all the faithful and they shall behold me.

9 Some the Lord has called have hardened their heart and will not be willing to be humble that they may take up their work. Set none apart that are filled with strange doctrines.

10 Let all the faithful labor in their place and calling. Let the message go to all. Send these words to the brethren and to the Church. Let them be published. Also publish the Fifty-seventh Message with the rest for I have spoken it but see that it is correct. Man cannot add to. This is a very grievous sin.

11 I am the forerunner of Christ, I am John the Baptist, who preached repentance in the wilderness. I am the Elias which was for to come. I have brought the message for the Church of Christ, that it may be fully established—that faith and repentance might be taught that mankind may prepare to be of the Lord's bride.

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[12] Luke 9:56
[13] I Corinthians 10:31

12 I leave peace with you and the Church. Be prayerful that the evil one will not trouble you. For thus have I been commanded of the Lord to speak. It will be well with you and all those that heed the instructions that I bring. Again I say deny not your calling. Be humble. There is work for all that will labor in the Lord's work, and their reward shall be sure. Peace will come to you if you speak the truth. Amen."

Fifty-ninth Message

On Wednesday morning, January 27, 1943, the Messenger John, appeared in my room at 1:15 a.m., and said, "Fear not, I will come again." In a few seconds he was gone, and again on January 29, 1943, John the Baptist, the same Messenger of the Lord, appeared to me at my room, 520 West Lexington Street, Independence, Missouri, and gave the following message. He spoke slowly and distinctly. I wrote as he gave it. He left at 2:30 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold I come to you again. Arise and take the message I will give you.

2 I am your fellow servant, and my name is John. I am the Messenger of the Lord. I have come in the past, and I shall come to you in the future. Fear not, for this is the Lord's work, and I have come at his appointing. I have come to you and not to others. This is your calling; therefore, be faithful and true, and deny not my coming.

3 I have brought a warning of Christ's soon coming, and the authority that the Church may be established as the Lord would have it, that mankind might find a way of redemption. For salvation only comes to those that are humble and full of love and obey the will of the Lord. My message is one of love to those that heed and obey it.

4 I cried repentance in the days that are past, my message is repentance today. Let all men repent of their sins and selfish ways, for sin cannot receive the glory of God nor the power of the Lamb slain. Except they repent they cannot be redeemed from that awful state. For the Lord has prepared the way of redemption and he has spoken. It is Christ's words

that shall judge[1] all men, therefore, he cannot use man of his own way, for man's heart is filled with selfishness.

5 Preach repentance, and baptisms, that the honest of heart may come unto the Lord. This message is to all nations. Contend not over the evils of man, but send the message I bring to the ends of the earth. Many shall yet turn to serve the Lord with full purpose of heart.

6 I have warned you, that you have no part in contention, for contention will darken the mind. Heed the instructions I bring and it will be well with you. As I speak to you, I speak to all.

7 There are those that have prayed that I come. In the anguish[2] and distress of their souls the Lord has heard their cry for He knows the prayers that are of the heart. Man cannot glory of himself in this work.

8 There are those that have been true and will yet be true. The Lord will bless them greatly in his sight and in this work. There are those that betray one another and have not been true. Their hearts are filled with selfishness, greed, jealousy and hate. They despise you and the message I bring.

9 While there are those that are true much has not been done that I have instructed. Let them speedily carry on the instructions I have brought and bring from time to time from the Lord God. For I speak his words and his will and it shall be done.

10 The Lord is the resurrection and the life. He that believeth on him and obeys his will shall have right to the tree of life and to eternity, and in them shall be seen the glory of God, for Christ came to redeem and to provide the way. Therefore, I come to point the way and that the Church of Christ, the Lamb's bride[3], may be prepared to meet him when he comes, when all men will live to serve the Lord, that the millennium reign shall be.

And the great day of the Lord shall come, when all the earth shall rejoice and be glad for a new heaven and a new earth shall be in the Lord's planning.

11 Send the message to the Church and to all. This is the way for mankind to find eternal peace, to endure to the end.

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[1] 1 John 12:48
[2] Message 3:5
[3] Revelation 19:7-9

12 There are those you love who will turn against you and make offence for a word[4]. Some will repent, others will go to destruction; some their end will be sad; yet the work of the Lord shall go on for they must know the Lord has spoken.

13 Let the messages I bring be published. Let them go to all the world. Fear not man, nor his ways. Some the Lord has entrusted with responsibility, know not his Spirit nor his goodness. Have no part with those that oppose and deny my coming for they deny the authority and trust the Lord has given them and the Lord will call others to take their places that the work may go on.

14 Let those that oppose and hinder have no part in this work for they are not of the faithful and will not be of the bride of Christ.

15 The Lord has spoken and plead with many but there are those in their selfish way who set themselves up and seek to destroy the truth and the good of this work, while others heed and obey and work with all their might to carry on the Lord's work. Let them be not discouraged, but let them continue and the Spirit shall comfort them and bring the greater peace, for the Lord knows the hearts that are honest. Though you may be hated by loved ones and those you labor among, deny not this work nor the message I bring for it is to all mankind in all the world, and those that heed and obey, enduring unto the end the same shall be the bride of Christ.

16 Teach men everywhere faith, repentance and baptisms. Let the hands be laid on all that the plan[5] of God may be complete and that they may be fit and worthy for the Spirit to dwell with them.

17 Fear not what men may say of you, but be true and humble and the faithful will uphold you.

18 This is the Lord's work and I am his messenger sent to bring the warning. Will mankind heed it that their feet may be guided in the way of peace and away from the shadow of death out of confusion and darkness into life eternal?

19 Hear ye! And let humility be your mantle and ye shall no more be confounded, for 'I come,' saith the Lord, 'that deliverance might be.'

20 Publish this message with the rest. Withhold them not.

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[4] Isaiah 29:21
[5] Hebrews 6:1, 2

21 I will come again and direct in this work, be humble, be at peace, let love fill your lives and humility be the mantle for all.

22 To you my fellow servant, the Lord knows your heart, and repentance. Be not deceived by man, be obedient, trusting the Lord and he shall be your strength. I speak to you, and for all that mankind may know the Lord has spoken.

23 The days of judgments are upon all men and a way of deliverance for the just shall be. Watch against the days to come. Pray always. Amen."

Sixtieth Message

The Messenger came to me at my home, 122 West Sea Avenue, Independence, Missouri, May 9, 1943, just after 5 p.m. I was wrapping some messages to fill an order when he touched me on the shoulder. He said he had come to bring comfort. He sat on the sofa and we talked on many subjects. He finally instructed me to get paper and write. Here is what he said. He left at 7:30.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, write the message I will give you! I am the Messenger, the forerunner of Christ, and I am sent to bring the instructions for the Church. This is my mission. I am sent from God to prepare the way as in the days when Christ came among men. My work and mission has begun and shall not be destroyed, but the works of Satan shall be destroyed. Thus for that work came I into the world that the way of the Christ shall be prepared that he may destroy[6] the works of Satan.

2 I am the Elias and my name is John, even John the Baptist, the Messenger to come before the face of the Lord.

3 Teach the way of the Lord that the millennium may come. Many are honest of heart and some you think to be against this work will be those to labor to the end. Think not that you can labor without faith or the love of God in your hearts for this is a just work of love.

4 The Lord has heard the prayers of his people and has sent me to bring them comfort when hearts are sad, and when Satan has brought much

[6] II Thessalonians 2:8, 9; Revelation 19:11-21

distress, trials and temptations upon the just for he will deceive them if they will not watch and pray.

5 Remember the instructions I have brought. Teach them to all men. All those that are humble and full of love will help, for the Lord will bless them. There are many who yet will carry the message of life to the ends of the earth. Teach faith in the words of the Lord and the prophets, for Satan shall not have hold on all such. There are those that have been true and will not be shaken by Satan's powers in the evils of men. There are those whose hearts are filled with selfishness and greed and who seek to overthrow the message the Lord has sent.

6 But fear not men, nor what they may say of this work, for in their hearts is selfishness and hate. They are carnally minded and cannot see the Lord's hand move, but seek their own glory and not the glory of the Lord.

7 The authority and trust that was placed upon you has not been taken from you, and will not be taken from you unless you deny the Lord God and my coming. For this work were you born. Be true and the Lord will bless you.

8 I bring the warning[7] that mankind cannot say the Lord has not spoken, for the works of Satan must be destroyed. My message is one of love to all those who will heed it and obey, enduring unto the end for the same shall be counted his bride at his appearing. The time has come. Let the evil be destroyed that the faithful may arise and that Israel may be gathered.

9 The harvest is on. The Lord has spoken and long plead that mankind will obey and fully set their hearts to do his will, for the sheaves are ungathered. The wheat and the tares have grown together[8]. Now the cleansing shall be among men. Be humble that your lives may be full of the love of God for he will deliver.

10 All those that do not heed, and obey not the instructions I bring, will not be of the bride of Christ when he comes, for I come to point the way to the Christ that repentance may be taught. That a people may be prepared to proclaim the acceptable way of the Lord to all mankind. Will they heed it that the Spirit of God may come and work with man when he is humble before the Lord!

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[7] Matt. 25:6
[8] Matt. 13:30

11 Let those that reject the message I bring be released from their trust and responsibility, for they deny my coming, and the Lord rejects them. Therefore let them have no part in this work, for their hearts are not true and not in the Lord's will. All those that oppose and fight against this work, except they repent, their end will be sad. They cannot overthrow the Lord's work.

12 Gather in the assembly and cry unto the Lord. Let no evil come among you. The Lord will hear all those that repent and obey his will. Let your prayers be of the heart. Let not contention be found among you.

13 Heed the instructions I have given in the past and let these be set apart as apostles, that I shall give, as the vacancies will come: Frederick Vowles, Marion R. Hopkins, James Beld; and let Luther Levell also prepare, for the time will come when he will take his place in the quorum. Let Roy Lougheed be added to the bishops. Let Melvin Mallory prepare that he may take his place as a bishop when the vacancy occurs. Let R. H. Hutchinson be set apart as an evangelist. Let all be in the field as the way opens. Fear not man but do the Lord's bidding. He will provide. Let Earl W. Baggerly be set apart as an elder. Let him be humble. Let none contend over points of doctrine, for the Lord will make bare his arm[9] and reveal much, for great shall be the joy of all those that prepare for they shall have power to proclaim the mysteries of the Kingdom.

14 Let the faithful continue on and let the Voice of Warning go in peace. The Lord accepts those that obey the message. Let them continue on.

15 The Lord has sent me unto you at this time. He will bless you if you will be humble. The Lord knows your prayer and those you love. The Lord has allowed that to come that your pride may be destroyed for ye cannot seek the praise[10] of men and be pleasing in the Lord's sight. There are those that love you and will yet love you if you will be humble and be at peace. Be pleasant in your work and speak the truth in humility and you will find favor with God and man.

16 I will come again until the work is finished and Christ comes to make his abode among men, that all the earth shall obey him. I leave peace with you and to the Church. Give this to the Church that the faithful may know the Lord has sent me.

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[9] Isaiah 52:10
[10] John 12:43

17 Publish this message with the rest. Let them go to the ends of the earth. Take it to the isles of the sea. Let justice and peace follow you wherever you go. As I speak to you, I speak to all. Let the Lord's word be taught that it might be obeyed, for there is safety in the words I bring. Amen."

Sixty-first Message

The Messenger of the Lord came to me at my home, 122 West Sea, Independence, Missouri, on June 11, 1943, at 4:15 a.m., and left the following message: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and write the instructions I shall give you.

2 I have come again when the cries of the people have come up before the Lord, your God. He is all-powerful and will bless the faithful.

3 I am the Messenger of the Lord. I speak his words. I have come in the past and I shall come in the future. I am commanded to bring a warning message and instructions. I come in love for this is a message of love.

4 Fear not what man may say of you. Those that have gone astray are led by the evil one. Fear not, nor fret not, for some will repent. They will see their error and yet the faithful shall be blessed. Come all the way for the Lord wants a holy people whose hearts are just and righteous before him.

5 Blessed are all they who seek to establish the Zion of peace for it shall be done by a people humble before the Lord. All those that obey the words I bring are those that shall be the Lord's bride.

6 Those that the Lord has called, let them be in the field as the way opens. Let not man have his way but heed the instructions I bring, for the Lord has sent me. I speak his words.

7 Let all that are the Church of Christ come in humility, preparing themselves to work in love for great is the responsibility and trust placed upon the people of the Lord.

8 The Lord has reached forth his arm to save his people. The voice of the obedient and faithful shall be the Lord's will. Let them carry on. The Lord accepts those that are heeding the will of him that sent me.

9 The Lord accepts the work of the assembly of the faithful. Let the glad tidings go to all and the voice of peace be heard everywhere. Let justice and righteousness follow you wherever you go.

10 Let J. W. Savage take charge of the bishop's office that the moneys received may be in safe hands.

11 Behold, some the Lord has chosen have slumbered and slept, not arising to obedience; while others have denied my coming and thus destroyed the trust the Lord placed upon them. Behold, I have plead yet there are those who have hardened their hearts, opposing and denying my righteous cause. Yea, unto such that have hearkened to the whisperings of Satan, doubt and fear have entered their minds. Thus they have sinned in denying this cause and the authority and trust has been taken from them.

12 The Lord has heard the prayers of the faithful and will continue to bless you. Keep the standard, be calm and at peace and joy shall be with you. Obey the instructions I bring for the Lord has sent me and it is his words that I bring, and Christ's words shall judge all men at the last day.

13 Let the work move on in all parts. Keep the way of peace that the honest may find comfort.

14 Let Charles J. Pritchard be added to the apostles. Let all I have told you be at work in the field for many are seeking this way of peace and will find it in the obedience of the servants of the Lord. Let the Lord's servant, Stearns, take up his service and calling as a bishop. Let not the ways of man destroy the good. Let him fear not man. Let E. H. Tiffin be set apart as an elder for much good can be done by his efforts. The Lord will favor all those who keep this way.

15 Peace I leave with you and the Church and will come again. Many you love will yet defend this cause. I will come again. Amen."

Sixty-second Message

The Messenger of the Lord came to my home on the morning of September 4, 1943, and instructed me to give the following message to the Church. He appeared and commanded me to arise and write. The divine made me so weak in body that after a part of the message was given he left me so that I could regain

some of my strength. He returned and I felt much stronger. I finished the message as he gave it. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold; I have come again to bring a message from the Lord. He has sent me. I come from his presence. I am he of whom it is written, 'Mine elect[1], in whom the Lord delighteth.' I am the Messenger of the Covenant and my name is John. My coming is to bring a warning and prepare the way again before the Lord.

2 I come that righteousness shall look[2] down from above. Yea, it shall be poured out upon the earth, for God himself hath sent me and causeth me to speak. I speak his will. The words I speak shall bring peace to many for salvation shall be upon the earth among men. Yea, it is and now waiteth to be carried to the ends of the earth, the isles of the sea, for lo, the Lord has spoken, the Lord that made heaven and earth and all things that in them are. He that stretched forth heaven above, he it is that shall confound the liars and maketh diviners fail and turn the wise[3] backward making their knowledge foolish. He it is that shall allow confusion to come upon all of them that stir against the Lord and the words I bring. I bring a way of deliverance.

3 I am the Messenger to go before the Lord to make the crooked straight; to cause to be broken to pieces all their gates of evil, them that oppose the way of the Lord.

4 Thus saith the Lord, 'O Israel wilt thou come forth that you might be delivered? I have called thee. I have named thee. I have chosen thee. I am the Great High Priest. I am he who scattered thee and I am he who shall deliver—who shall gather. I will bring back all the outcast, moreover all those that are dispersed. Learn ye my ways and come unto me and life eternal shall be your reward.

5 Yea, I have not spoken in secret or in hiding. I have sent my messenger. He has spoken my words and will. It shall stand, for this is my pleasure. I know the end from the beginning[4] and I have planned deliverance to all that will call on my name in righteousness, in humility before me,' saith your Lord.' "

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[1] Isaiah 42:1
[2] Psalms 85:11
[3] II Nephi 28:15; Isaiah 44:24, 25
[4] Isaiah 46:10

(At this juncture he left for a while and returned later.)

6 “Be ye comforted all that will hear, for the day shall come when as the light shineth from the east unto the west so shall the coming of the Son of man be. Every eye[5] shall behold him. Moreover, every heart shall cry and every tongue[6] shall know and confess he is the Christ, for lo, he comes and his words shall judge both those that live and those that do not; both the righteous and the wicked; both those that do his will and those that serve him not. Some to joy and peace with him and some to shame.

7 Those that are his shall be counted his jewels, his bride, the Lamb’s wife, when he comes. Thus the Church of Christ shall continue on that a people may be fully prepared; therefore, it is my duty to bring the message, the instructions from the Lord your God to the Church, and for the children of men that all might learn this is the closing time when the vineyard of the Lord is being pruned for the last time and the Christ soon comes to make his reign on earth.

8 Many will help, many are reserved for a great work, and the gospel must be preached that the greater work can be done, of the preparing a people, and then the greatest entrusted to mankind shall be accomplished.

9 Therefore, fear not and fret not, but do the Lord’s bidding. Save your strength that you may do that which the Lord will yet bring forth that all nations may flow[7] together, for Christ shall be Lord of all and King of kings and all men will serve him. Then shall be no more evil to hinder, but all shall be delightful in the Lord.

10 The Lord has seen your humility and your faith. Continue that he might smile in peace upon you and the Church. Many hearts have bled and will yet bleed if they do not watch and pray. I told you to watch against the days to come. As I speak to you so speak I to all. Be ye comforted. Your companion shall be a comfort to you for peace shall be in the hearts of all those that love this work.

11 Remember Job in his trials, the Lord set his angel to deliver. So it shall be to the Church for the faithful. Some love this work and know it is true but their pride has kept them away and from coming close to the Lord. Some are true and will yet be true and with all their might proclaim

[5] Revelation 1:7
[6] Phillippians 2:11
[7] Isaiah 2:2

the truth, even the message I bring. Let them continue on. Peace shall be with them.

12 Some hate you and the message I bring and have set their heart to hinder and destroy, but in the end they will lose and grief shall be upon them. This is the Lord's work and it must be done the Lord's way in justice and righteousness above the ways and evils of man. Let not man's ways hinder.

13 While things look dark to you now the future will be brighter. As I speak to you so speak I to all. My message is one of love to all that will heed and obey.

14 I gave the warning—the conditions are coming to pass as I told you. Some have prepared and are comforted. Be watchful, be ready in the Lord's peace.

15 The Lord will call those to carry his work on even to the end of the earth and all those that are faithful will be blessed.

16 Let those alone that oppose you and the message I bring. The hate in their hearts will destroy their good if they do not repent and seek to please the Lord.

17 Let each one work in his place and calling as the way opens. Let man come all the way in obedience, for this is the assured way of the Lord to speak to mankind. Let them not doubt and the Lord's Spirit will lead. The Lord has and will yet give his Spirit in greater abundance to the faithful.

18 Thus saith the Lord, 'Let my servants, Lacey and Garret, be added to the apostles. Let them always be humble for I, the Lord, will bless them in this work. Let my servant Redd be set apart as an elder. Let my young servant Floyd know this is my work and I have looked upon him in the past and he shall yet do that special work in this cause. Let all be at work and I shall send the greater peace,' saith your Lord.

19 The Lord has sent me that all might be encouraged. Let peace be in the hearts of all. Let the work move on. Let all pay their tithes that they may render to the Lord that which is his. Be at peace with all men. Be filled with the Spirit that its fruits may rule. Peace I leave with you and shall come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

Sixty-third Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me in my home, Independence, Missouri, and gave the following message, January 2, 1944, 8:20-9:20 p.m.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I have come to you again as my appointing. The Lord your God has sent me. I come to speak the Lord's will, though Satan has hindered and sought to destroy you and the message I bring; but it shall not be destroyed. The Lord's words will not return unto him void.

2 The pruning has begun and shall be for man must know the full plan and obey that they may bring forth much fruit, and that of the Spirit of the Lord.

3 Fear not your calling for the Lord will give you strength. There are those filled with hate and revenge; their end will be sad. Fear them not. There are those that are true and will yet be true to this cause for they know the Lord's Spirit and his will. Moreover, there are those who bear the fruits of his Spirit and are humble. There are those that repent and are sought to be right before God. They shall be filled. Therefore, be not found in the path of the erring and sinful for the Lord is your Master.

4 The Lord has given you those to encourage and to stand by you, for he knows your strength and weakness and he will save to the uttermost[1]. I speak his words and they are to all. Those that heed not and obey not shall not have part in this work of the Lord.

5 You have seen the hand of God move. In all ages through faith man has found peace with God. Many are and shall be made white and pure through their righteous works with God. Stand firm and be true and your reward will be sure—for with God the righteous shall dwell.

6 Yea, the day comes when all men will come to worship[2] the Lord, lest his arm will shorten and they perish in their sin. He who is Master of men will extend peace like a river and the glory of the faithful like a flowing stream; so will the Lord comfort. The Lord's hand is known toward his own and his indignation towards the enemies. He shall appear

[1] Hebrews 7:25
[2] Zachariah 14:16

to your joy[3] and the nations shall come together to work peace among them for the Lord shall roar[4] from Zion and the standard shall be established in peace for all shall learn—and speak that language, loving all men. Moreover, in a day and at once—for Zion travaileth and shall bring forth her children.

7 I come that this work might be. That the gospel may be fully established and the plan of God be carried to the ends of the earth. That salvation may come to all who will hear the Christ in his plea that whosoever will may come, for it is his words[5] that shall judge all men at the last day.

8 I am the Messenger of the Lord, my name is John. I am your fellow servant. I speak to all. Take courage, this is the Lord's work, his Church, and it shall not be destroyed. Let the messages go in peace. Let the tidings of gladness be heard. Be at peace with all men, be pleasant in your work. Be humble always and your labor shall not be in vain.

9 Let this go to the Church. Let the messages be published in other languages that others may know this way for the Spirit will bear witness and they shall know. For that day shall come when power will come for there are and will be those that come all the way in the Lord. Not in the traditions of men, but in the Spirit and its obedience. It shall be said the year[6] of the Lord's redeemed has come.

10 The Lord has remembered Israel and his loving kindness is for them that hear. Let those that rebel have no part in this work. Let Zion arise out of the wilderness and a people awaken from the desolations and slumberings, for there shall be brought forth those that shall inherit. The elect shall inherit it, and the Lord's servants shall dwell safely.

11 Behold, the Lord will not keep silent[7].

12 Be at peace in this work. I shall come again, for I am sent of the Lord your God. I come to do his will. Be not in thirst but drink of the waters of life. My message is to the ends of the earth. I am the Elias, John the Baptist. I preached repentance in the days before the Lord Christ walked among men. Again I preach the word. I come to prophesy, I speak his

[3] Isaiah 66:5-14
[4] Joel 3:16, 17
[5] II Nephi 29:11
[6] Isaiah 63:4
[7] Psalms 50:3

will. There is much yet to be done—and to be given for his that follow. Amen."

Sixty-fourth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared in my room at my home, 122 W. Sea Avenue, Independence, Missouri, about 5:30 a.m., on June 1, 1944, and left the following message. He was clothed in light and with the power of the Lord.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Awake, arise, and take the message I will give you. Behold, I am the servant of the Lord, his messenger whom ye delight[8] in my coming. I am sent of God to bring other servants that his vineyard may be nourished[9], yea, this last time that it may bring forth, and a people be prepared for the coming of the Lord. I have been chosen, and my name is John. This is my calling, to prepare the ways before the Christ to come to his bride.

2 Will the people heed the warning and obey the instructions I bring from the Lord, your God, that there may be a bride prepared and the way of deliverance established, that mankind may learn of the way of the Lord, his words, in these last days.

3 The Lord has sent me with a message when the hearts of his people were bleeding. I have come to minister that comfort may come to all who will walk righteously in this way. All that I have brought and will bring comes from the Lord, your God.

4 The Lord has looked upon his Church to bless the faithful. Some have denied the Lord and his goodness; some are full of doubt and are deprived of the joys of the Lord. Some will repent, others will go to destruction.

5 There are those that seek to prophesy in the Lord's name, and in vain they do speak their own words for they know not his Spirit nor his power, for God speaketh not to blaspheme. Fear them not.

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[8] Malachi 3:1
[9] Jacob 5:70

6 You have seen the trials of man, and your burdens have been hard to bear, but take courage for the end is not yet[10]. Trials will come to all and those that will not be humble will not stand in the last day.

7 Lift up your strength in the Lord. In times past you have been delivered from the pitfalls of Satan. The plan of the evil one to destroy shall be frustrated. Heed wisdom. Those the Lord has sent you for encouragement to stand by this work shall be blessed, for in peace they shall find rest. Many blessings shall come to the humble.

8 The Lord has heard the prayers of his servants and his people and will answer as their faith is.

9 I am he that is sent of God to bring his light to mankind. This is his Church and shall be his bride when she is prepared and made ready. I speak not my words but the words and will of the Christ who has sent me. My message is one of love. It will bring life to those that will obey.

10 Teach men everywhere to repent and be baptized. Let the hands be laid on all who come to the Church that they may be humble and that the Lord may fill them with his Spirit.

11 Fret not, nor grieve not, over things you have no control, but be calm.

12 The day will come when you shall be apart from the turmoil of the world for the work the Lord has designed must come to mankind. For this work were you born. Be ye penitent and humble that your light may shine[11]. Speak the truth and not the traditions of men nor the thoughts of man. As I say to you so say I to all. The Lord knows your heart and your righteous desires shall be granted. Those who have set to harm you and this work will suffer and their end will be sad. There are those you cannot trust. They betray and deceive.

13 Keep holy the sacred rites of the Lord. Defile them not. Let not the plan be changed. Heed not man's self-righteousness nor those who set themselves to be great, for victory comes through humility and obedience to the Christ, the Lord.

14 Let no man change the Articles of Faith and Practice, neither let man say the Lord is not wise. The Lord cannot use those who will not keep holy and sacred his plan, therefore, let them have no part in the ministry of this work for already they deny its sacredness.

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[10] Matt. 24:6
[11] Matt. 5:16

15 Let the people meet in the assembly in solemnness and humility and the Lord will bless them in their meekness. Seek not to please man but do the Lord's bidding. Let not the time be spent in contention.

16 Conditions have come as the Lord has said. The plague of death in war has taken many. The evil must be destroyed. Let there be left neither root nor branch[12] that the evil may not rise again.

17 If the people of the Lord will be humble and pray mightily unto the Lord he will show his hand and the time will come when many will be touched by this marvelous work. Let the place of rest for the Lord and his people be prepared. Press on in the peace of the Lord with all men.

18 Let those the Lord has called take their places. Seek the Lord often that the mysteries of the Kingdom will not be hid, but heed not the prophecies of men.

19 I leave the peace of the Lord with you and the Church. Hold high the banner of the Christ.

20 I will come again as the Lord will direct. I am his servant. I am John the Baptist, the Messenger of the Lord. I am sent to speak his will. I will be with the Christ when he comes. I am sent to prepare the people for his coming and a place to come to. I am your fellow servant, the Elias which was for to come.

21 I am to direct in all things of the work of the Lord. I am to bring the instructions that the Spirit of God may lead men to righteousness and life eternal. His sheep shall know his voice.

22 Be at peace. Give this message to the brethren and the Church. Publish it with the rest. Amen."

[12] Malachi 4:1

Sixty-fifth Message

The Messenger of the Lord came to me at my home, 122 W. Sea Avenue, Independence, Missouri, about 1:30 a.m., June 7, 1944. He was engulfed in light such as I assume the resurrected are privileged to bear. He left the following message: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come again with a message of peace. Give it to the brethren and the Church.

2 Verily, the Lord has heard the prayers of the faithful who have cried from the heart; therefore he has and will bless all that do his will. Let all be calm and sedate in the Lord; not boastful nor wise in their own conceit[1]. Remember, love is your mission, to preach and teach repentance with faith in God that salvation may come to all who will hear and obey the word of the Lord.

3 I am the Messenger of the Lord. I am sent to do his will. I bring his words that mankind may know his way. Let all take courage for the faithful shall not be confounded, but encouraged in the Lord, for life cometh to the righteous in love.

4 Let there be added to the apostles: E. H. Ewing and W. F. Lewis. Let them be set apart that they may take their place for the Lord will point the way of the humble. Let the apostles and bishops counsel together much and pray always that they may be guided in the Lord's will.

5 Let there be added to the bishops: R. C. Moss and Newell Mead. Let them know this is a great responsibility to carry. Teach all to be dutiful in wisdom before God that their humility may be accepted by both man and God.

6 Let Charles B. Hatch be set apart as an elder. Let him take the message to others and the Lord will bless him. Let Thomas Evanson prepare for his greater calling for the Lord will bless him. Let all continue to carry on and the Lord will not forsake his people.

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[1] Romans 11:25

7 Let the Voice of Peace go on to the ends of the earth that mercy and justice may be found by those who will search[2]. Be pleasant. Let your light shine. As the Lord speaks answer by your actions.

8 I speak the will of him that sent me. I am John the Baptist, the servant of the Lord. Peace I leave with you and the Church. I will come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

Sixty-sixth Message

This was given to me by the Messenger 12:35 to 2:40 a.m., Monday, March 12, 1945, at Vancouver, Washington.

The Messenger was dressed in the white robe he has worn on previous occasions. His whole body radiated a powerful light that filled the room. His face shone with brightness and his feet as fine brass. He spoke calmly and with power. He sat in a rocking chair while giving most of the message, though he arose while speaking the words of the Lord spoke through him. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise my fellow servant and take the message I shall give you. Be not afraid, I bring you peace. Rejoice in the peace of God. Great shall be the joy in the hearts of all that hear and obey the message and words I bring from the Lord your God.

2 Behold, I am the servant of the Lord, the blessed one sent of God. I come from his presence and my name is John. I am the same that was and is called the Baptist. I am the Elias. I bring the Elijah Message many have looked for. I bring words of the Lord. I bring a warning.

3 Come out of her is my cry. For thus I am sent to fulfill the words of the prophets.

4 My message is to all mankind. Rise up, hear my voice, give ear unto my speech ye nations of the earth.

5 The Lord has used his liberal servant, he that has held this nation in America to be at peace with others. God has given him power; the

[2] Jeremiah 29:13

liberal[3] to devise liberal things, for by liberal things he shall be caused to stand. The Lord knoweth this nation whose fire is in Zion. With his fierceness in battle shall greatly assist in the destroying of the wicked[4] and her root and branch. God has set the man at the head of this nation that it might be caused to be brought about that the world may have peace established from one end to the other.

6 Be troubled, ye evil of the world. Strip yourselves, make bare your houses for your pleasant fields are made waste, your evils shall count your days, and your days are numbered for your time is short, because you despise the Lord's words and trust in oppression and doleful perverseness; thus your breaking shall come suddenly as at an instant. Your idols shall fade away and through the voice of the Lord the Assyrian shall fall.

7 You have seen the evils of man. You have seen the destructions and wars as I told you. The plague of death in war has taken many. The Lord knows the hearts of his people, all those that shall be his in that day.

8 Let the Church continue on with great power for thus is my message, that the earth may be filled with the glory of my coming for the Lord has sent me and I come from his presence.

9 Let the faithful rejoice for I come at the Lord's command for the Lord has heard their prayers and will bless.

10 There are those that have written letters of contempt which Satan has inspired, entering the heart of man and spreading mistrust and doubt among the people of the Lord. Let such speedily repent. Already from such the Lord has withdrawn his Spirit because of the prophesying of man. Fear not those that seek revenge.

11 The Lord in all ages has chosen man to do his bidding. Some humble themselves and have been and are true, others listen and have listened to the whisperings of Satan and where are they? Man may choose whom he will serve. Some have become evil and are as wolves[5] in sheep's clothing. Fear them not and have no part with them. Therefore, except they repent let them have no part in this work. Some will yet repent, others will go to destruction.

12 The Lord is pleased with the work of the bishops in that they have obeyed in seeking to establish this work more firmly that those of the

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[3] Isaiah 32:8
[4] Ether 8:25
[5] Matt. 7:15

world will not deceive you. The Lord has blessed many because of their faith and humility before him and the people. He is pleased with the humility of those that seek to establish peace. He has blessed his servant Stone with godly wisdom and knowledge that he may steer aright the Voice of Peace, and that contentions will not have way therein. Let him continue. Let the people continue the glad tidings that it may be sent to the end of the earth bringing joy and gladness to many. The Lord will touch the hearts that are honest and bring them to find joy and life in his will.

13 There are those who set themselves up to be clean and holy but their hearts are full of raging evils. The skeptic and the scorner and those that seek to use the Spirit of God, all such, the Lord by his Spirit cannot use.

14 Fear not those that set themselves up, seeking that I come to them for they shall lose and that which they have shall be taken from them. It is not theirs to choose.

15 The Lord has sent me to you with the instructions, therefore keep sacred your trust. The Lord has seen favor in you in that you deny not my coming. Fear not those who set themselves against you, nor those that form a band to destroy you and the message of life I bring from the Lord your God. I speak his will.

16 They that go about teaching pervert things to set in order are not of the Lord, for they bring discord and destroy the faith in subversive teachings. Fear not for such will not save you.

17 Let all pay their oblations to the Lord in tithes and in offerings. Let Savage continue to receive the moneys that they may be safe in the hands of the bishops.

18 Let Fred H. Bartlett be set apart as an apostle. The Lord has reserved him for a great cause. The Lord will more abundantly pour out his Spirit that this work may be accomplished and the message of life taken that the bride might be prepared.

19 Let E. H. Tiffin be added to the bishops. Let him continue humble before the Lord and he will bless him and great peace shall be with him in his work. Let T. R. Jenkins be at work as much as possible for an awakening will come. The Lord has heard his prayers and will bless him and those he labors amongst.

20 Let his servant Callin come into this work and be set apart as an elder, moreover as an evangelist[6]. The Lord has preserved him for this cause that he might bring life and peace to many.

21 The Lord has spoken and it is his will that his young servants Blackmon and Grigsby take up their work as elders. Let the work in all lands be carried in love and power for many are pleading to know God's will.

22 Some will turn against this work because of this message. Many will be strengthened. Send it to the Church and the brethren. Many have prayed in humility and the Lord has heard their cry. Thus let peace be unto them and the Church.

23 Behold, this is Christ's Church and shall be his bride, the remnant[7]. She shall be made ready. The message is given—the authority is entrusted with man. The call goes out; the cry is given. The warning must be heard. The work must be carried on.

24 'Thus saith the Lord, heed ye the words of my patience[8] and I will deliver thee from the hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world to try mankind. Behold, I come quickly. Hold fast in faith that which I have given thee that no man take it from thee. I am the Lord and I give my word that it may bring life. My words shall judge you in the last day. I am the Christ, your Lord and Savior. I am the God of the living. Those that drink of the water of life I give shall never thirst, saith the Lord.'

25 I have come from the Lord's presence and will come again. Amen."

[6] II Timothy 4:5
[7] Joel 2:32
[8] Revelation 3:10, 11

Sixty-seventh Message

The Messenger came to me at Independence, Missouri, on the morning of June 11, 1945, and instructed me to give the following message to the Church.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the message I will give you. Behold, I am your fellow servant and my name is John. I am he to appear before the great and dreadful day[1] of the Lord. I come from his presence. I am the Elias. I am he who sits as a refiner and purifier, that the sins of men may be no more, that a people may be prepared.

2 My message is one of peace to those who receive it. I bring words from the Master of men who extends peace like a river[2] and the glory of the faithful like a flowing stream— moreover the Lord will comfort. This is his Church, she shall be his when he comes. Let all come unto his bride.

3 The time is short—the conflict in battle of the adversary has destroyed many but God will deliver and righteousness shall prevail—but let the evil be destroyed root and branch.

4 When the Lord speaks answer by your actions. Moreover, he has heard the prayers of this assembly. Continue humble before him.

5 Let Warren M. Nellis be released of his office and trust of the ministry of the Church for he denies the truths of my coming.

6 Let L. N. Hallberg be added to the apostles in the quorum. The Lord has preserved and called him into this work. Behold the Lord knoweth his righteous desires and will bless him. The time has come, Let Howard Leighton Floyd come into this work and be set apart as an evangelist. Also let there be added to the evangelists Frank Mallory, Carl Peterson and Thomas Evanson.

7 Let R. C. Conoley and D. Crownover be set apart as elders. Let Winans and Parker be set apart as deacons.

8 Let Mallory be in the field as well as others, for the Lord will direct. He knows the hearts of all. He will deliver the righteous and bring evil to naught. This is his work and man's ways are erring but God will speak.

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[1] Malachi 4:5
[2] Isaiah 66:12

There are others that will yet drop out. Their trials will be sad if they remain in doubt and contention. Peace and righteousness will be the reward of the faithful. Look to the Lord in all things. He has set me at the helm[3] to direct in this work.

9 Give this message to the brethren and the Church. Let them know I have come. Your trials are hard to bear but your deliverance is to greater joy. Peace be with you and the Church. I am the Elias, your fellow servant of the Lord. I will come again. Amen."

Sixty-eighth Message

The Messenger appeared just after 3:00 a.m., August 21, 1946, at my home in Independence, Missouri, and gave the following message: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord. Arise and take the message I will give you. I come from his presence. I come, for so have I been commanded, to bring a warning and instructions that the work of the Church may go on, that salvation may be found by many whosoever will heed my coming and obey the words I bring; for it is the Christ's words that shall judge all men in the last day. He cometh to bring judgment and to preserve the hand of the righteous. Moreover, his reward shall be with him, even he that liveth, who is ruler and judge of all.

2 I speak his words that his judgments might go forth to the ends of the earth. As a flood the righteousness of saints, by the faith of the faithful, shall move forward. It shall not fail for this is the work of the Lord.

3 I come to you with a message for all that will heed and obey. My work has begun and gladness has come to many. Man cannot have his way in this work except it be the way of the Lord.

4 The Lord has spared you. The Lord has preserved many and he heareth the prayers of the humble and faithful. There are many honest that will yet heed my coming. Be firm, be true. Let humility be your mantle. Be not discouraged. Let all take faith and be lifted in gladness. Let not

[3] Message 31:7

confusion come among you, the Lord your God is the author of peace. Be calm and sedate. Heed repentance. Teach it to all men; baptizing them. Let the hands be laid on them for the authority is given and this is the Church of Christ that shall be his bride at his coming.

5 The Lord is mindful of his people and has heard the prayers from the heart. I am commanded that answer shall come. Therefore, I came to speak life and the will of the Lord. I am the Elias. I am set to refine and make ready a people before the Lord. This is my mission. Deliverance shall come to many.

6 Conditions have come as I told you. Much sorrow is yet to come, suffering and sadness on every hand. Only among the more righteous shall peace be found.

7 Let the Lord's servant, Waldemar Korth, know the Lord has preserved him for a great cause. His faith has made him whole. Let him continue on that the glad tidings may reach many in his land and its borders. Send all the help that can be to the fields in the foreign lands.

8 Let there be set apart in the quorum of twelve apostles: Bert H. F. Blackmon, Luther Levell and, as the vacancies occur, R. G. Newby who has repented and returned to the work and W. C. Wilson, if they will continue to be humble.

9 Let there be ordained as elders: Samuel Guthmiller, Clifford Clary, George Blackmon, Alfred Butler and LaVern Fife. Let them be very humble in this work. Let all labor in faith and in love that great good may be accomplished.

10 Let the message go far and near, preaching the same things of the gospel of peace and 'Lo,' saith the Lord, 'I will stand you in holy places while the indignation passes over.'

11 Let William Nevels be set apart as an evangelist. Let him carry the message to others and the Lord will bless him.

12 Be ye united and my peace shall remain with you. Continue on in service and action heeding the Lord's will. Be calm, be pleasant in your work. As I speak to you so speak I to all.

13 Be not discouraged over what man does, and those that are not true and that deny this work and the message I bring. Some will repent, but keep holy and sacred this trust the Lord has given.

14 Peace be with you and the Church. I leave this with you. Give it to the brethren and the Church.

15 I will come again until the work is finished and the Christ comes. I will be with him when he comes. Amen."

While this is not a part of the message, it occurred at the end of the Messenger giving the above words. He had been seated in a rocking chair and I sat across from him by the table writing the message as he gave it. This is the first time another personage has appeared with him standing by his side. They were of similar size with beautiful countenance. In his arms he held cradled very carefully a brown-colored box as it seemed—not appearing to be extremely heavy but from the way he held it, very precious.

I noted then it was not a box, but records, as I noted one large ring near the top end on the side toward me, which apparently would indicate the front of the record. It had a glittering effect which was more noticeable from each move or change of position of the records carefully cradled in his arms.

The Messenger arose and placed his right hand on the records and said, "This is some of the great work yet to come forth. A record."

They both left, leaving me very weak in body because of the presence of the resurrected ones.

Sixty-ninth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, John the Baptist, appeared to me at 3:05 a.m., July 28, 1947, at my home in Independence, Missouri, U.S.A., and commanded me to arise and take the message he would give me. The room was full of light; the presence of the divine was powerful. I wish all would pray to know the truth of the coming of the Messenger, the angel from the Lord. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, my fellow servant, I have come to you with a message again, that the work of the Lord might go onward and move forward to the ends of the earth, ruling in the will of the Lord, the Holy One of Israel, the righteous of mankind.

2 Write the words as I shall give them to you.

3 'Thus saith the Lord to the humble and obedient: Your faith has been exceeding great, you have endured and shall find my peace in abundance. I have watched over you and preserved even when Satan sought to destroy. Behold, it is I, even your Lord, that shall deliver you in

the last day. Yea, come out of her lest you suffer with the ungodly and partake of her punishments. Let your life be filled with obedience.

4 Yea, moreover, Israel will slowly hear and come forth rejoicing. Heed the warning I have sent by my servant, John. This is the closing hour—the warning is sent and to all that hear, life everlasting, but to them that mock and scorn, Woe! Woe! Woe! and sad will be their end. Behold I have spoken.'

5 I am the servant of the Lord. I come from his presence—I speak his words and his will. I come to fulfill—that a way of deliverance shall be for mankind—that they might be guided away from the shadow of death and into the way of salvation, and that all things may be restored. The earth to her former beauty and mankind delivered from that awful state, back to the presence of God.

6 Let the Assembly meet in peace, let rejoicing be in your hearts. Pray earnestly and the Lord will meet with you by his Spirit, and great peace shall flow to all—and the faith of the faithful shall be heard. Power shall come as your hearts shall be prepared.

7 Fear not, nor fret not, but do the Lord's bidding. The Church has been favored of the Lord for he has not forsaken his people. Let all be at work in their calling. The Lord has seen the faith of his servant, Turland, for he has been faithful in many ways and shall find exceeding great joy and peace in the end. Many shall yet learn the way of peace. Let the message continue to go from door to door, from heart to heart, and on to the ends of the earth.

8 Let there be added to the bishops, when the vacancy occurs, Kenneth N. Vick. Let him be set apart and ordained as an elder, for the Lord has seen his faith and heard his prayers, and will bless in great peace and abundance of his Spirit. Let there be added to the elders, Roy C. Tedrick, E. Emmanuel Sigle, Leonard Johnson—and your fellow servants, H. Harris Burt and John Emerson Davis as evangelists. Let them know the Lord has preserved them for a wise purpose—that they may take the truth in its purity to many.

9 This is a holy work and mankind must come humbly before the Lord. Let repentance and baptism be the answer in action by each one coming into this work. Let the hands be laid on all that the Spirit might come to them in great power and deliverance in time of trials. Let great faith rule in love. Let peace be in each heart and soul, in your homes, and avoid contentions. Trust not in traditions of men, nor the ways of man, nor flesh. They will not save you.

10 Let the servants be humble and prayerful and the mysteries of the Kingdom shall unfold before you. Fear not those who depart from you—they are as clouds without water—empty vessels—tossed about in doubt and fears. But fear the Lord insomuch that obedience is your answer. Let peace fill each heart, and in your gatherings, that the Spirit of God shall make you free. It is Christ your Savior whom you must serve and obey. His words shall judge all in the last day, and great is his reward to the faithful when he comes, but dreadful to the wicked at his appearing.

11 Lift up, I am the Elias. I bring the refining spoken of by the prophet Malachi. I bring the Elijah Message. I am the forerunner of Christ. I preached repentance and baptism at his first coming—so am I commanded the same now, unto the children of Israel, and to the ends of the earth. Much shall come to pass, and mankind may yet be found in the presence of the Lord through obedience to the words I bring.

12 Give this message to the Church. Publish it. Let the words I bring go to all who will hear.

13 I leave peace with you and to the Church in gladness. I will come again until the work is finished and shall be with the Christ when he shall appear at his coming when the righteous in Christ shall arise. Amen."

The Messenger left at 5:05 a.m.

Seventieth Message

The angel Messenger of the Lord, the resurrected John the Baptist, appeared to me at my home, Independence, Missouri, August 20, 1947, at 11:42 p.m., and gave the following message. The light which has always accompanied the Messenger filled the room. (Matthew 24:45, Luke 12:42, 43) He left at 12:30.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and write the message I will give you. I am the Messenger of the Lord, his servant, sent to bring a warning, a cleansing, and to prepare a people to be the Lord's bride when he comes.

2 I speak as from a fountain of truth and with power and authority. I bring the authority for mankind to represent Christ and his Church; therefore remember this is a holy work and must be kept holy.

3 Moreover the Lord has heard the prayers of this assembly and has answered peace— herein is your joy in obedience and in humility: for joy comes by obedience and peace in much assurance.

4 Let the assured way of the Lord be your way—for I bring peace and a way of deliverance. I speak the Lord's words—for his ways are just. I proclaim the midnight cry. I bring peace—let it remain among you—in your gatherings and in your homes.

5 Let all be in the field as the way opens. Let all speak and teach the same things. Heed diligently and it will be well with the faithful and to all who obey and defend this cause.

6 Counsel together with your brethren and qualify to lead the people in peace and righteousness. Hold high the banner of truth in the words I bring.

7 Send the message and warnings to the ends of the earth and to all nations. Print the messages in other languages.

8 Let those with the responsibility of preaching and teaching of the gospel in all the world consider deeply their calling and choosing in this work, for the work is great that lies before you.

9 Let all watch and pray, for the trials will come to all. Mankind must come all the way.

10 The Lord has been and will be with his people by his Spirit, and his peace shall long linger with the faithful until they become the jewels of God.

11 Fear not, for the end cometh and all must be judged—may your faith bring you to God-ward for then all shall see him at his appearing.

12 Give this message to the Church, to your brethren and then to all.

13 Fear not man—nor their evil ways—do the Lord's will.

14 I will come again."

Seventy-first Message

During my stay in Wichita, Kansas, at the Broadview Hotel, the Messenger of the Lord appeared to me on three successive nights, the last of which, on the morning of August 13, 1948, at 3:30 a.m., he gave the following message.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the words I will give you.

2 I am your fellow servant; I am the servant of the Lord; I am he who sits and refines. Of ancient days it has been my mission, and my name is John. I preached repentance and baptism before the Christ—and again I preach and prophesy before his coming. I come to bring his word that a bride might be prepared and a people that is his Church in very deed—the Church of Christ. I have come in the past and I will come in the future until the work is finished, and the Christ sits in the right hand of power when Satan's rules are put down. Then will be rejoicing, for the millennium shall break forth, and all nations that live and dwell in the lands come up to worship the Lord their God.

3 Fear not, for the Lord is mindful of his people. The Church shall see his hand and his power. Heed not that which does not calm the soul—it is of the evil and seeks to destroy. Be not moved in emotion, for Satan takes hold of mankind and entices evil that they may gain prominency—and speaks in confusion and untruths.

4 There are those that cannot be trusted; they have and will deceive. Be calm—even all. Let peace rule your lives. My message is one of peace and security to all who humble themselves and obey, for this is the assured way of the Lord and the Elijah Message so many look for.

5 I come not to bruise; I come not to quench the smoking flax; but to bring peace, and let the people choose the way to eternity and life with the Lord, or go down to darkness and that awful rejection of their choice.

6 Let the assembly meet in peace and hold to the way of the Lord. Let man deny himself and seek not for the praises of men.

7 Let the work continue in all parts of this land and the foreign fields. Up, ye servants of the Lord, live and speak the truth, and more light and joy will come to you as you prepare; and the greater your faith the greater your work and responsibilities will be.

8 Let the Lord's voice be heard. Let the translations continue. Let the message go to Jew and Gentile, bond and free, the dispersed and outcast, to Israel, that all may have a chance to hear the warning word.

9 Thus saith the Lord, 'Let my servant Allsworth, whom I have led and preserved for a great work, be set apart as an evangelist, and take his calling and mission, that salvation and life may be carried though the gospel teaching to many. I will lead him by my Spirit, for his faith hath been heard, saith your Lord.'

10 Teach the whole truth and let not man have his way, except it be the way of the Lord. Worry not over things you have no control.

11 Let all pay their oblations to the Lord and send the word to the end of the earth.

12 I speak light to the world, and my mission is designed of the Lord and shall have its effect, for the word shall fill the whole earth and men will know the truth and be abundantly free. Satan has bound mankind with soothing ways and words and enticed in sin, until the Spirit of the Lord cannot work with them, except they repent. Let repentance be taught. Faith in God's word must be heard and the baptisms, that men be born again of the water and Holy Spirit, with fire from the Lord—and peace will rule and Satan have no power on those who heed and obey, having strong faith.

13 I leave peace with you and all who heed."

Seventy-second Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me and gave the following message at my home, 1417 South Pope Street, Independence, Missouri, U.S.A., at 2:30 a.m., May 22, 1949. The Spirit of the Lord was present and the light accompanying him filled the room.

I hope and pray that every reader will seek God in deep humility and faith believing that they may receive the testimony of the coming of the Elias, with the Elijah Message, as spoken of in Malachi and other prophecies -- W.A. Draves

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1 "Behold, I come again with a message. Arise and write the words I shall give you. I am your fellow servant, a co-laborer for Christ and his Church.

2 My mission is one of love. I come from the Lord's presence. I am he to deal prudently; to bring the warning of Christ's soon coming; to prepare a people to be the bride, the Church of Christ; to refine and cause mankind to become pure; to instruct the way of the Lord and I bring the Elijah Message many look for. Lo, the prophets have foretold of my coming.

3 I come to fulfill the will of the Lord. I am the Elias, the forerunner of the Christ. He has designed the way and stretched out the earth from one end to the other.

4 I bring glad tidings to the faithful and those that love truth. I speak the truth. I bring light to the blind in the light of time.

5 The Lord has sent me with salvation and life in the words I bring from him to those that hear and obey. Fear not, the reward is at the end. The gospel of Christ will bring you to life, and away from the valley of the shadow of death, for he is the Good Shepherd. His pure unbounded love shall rule when there is unity among the faithful. The greater your love the greater your joy shall be.

6 Hearken, all ye that desire to know the truth; this is the way that leadeth to eternity and to God-ward. There is no turning back.

7 Heed the instructions I bring and establish justice in the gates. Let no one treat lightly the way of the Lord. They that stir contention and maketh confusion are of the evil and shall have no part in this work. Keep peace and comity in gentleness, and meekness shall make you blessed—a delightsome people.

8 Behold! the Lord knoweth all those who stir against this work and those whose hearts are full of revenge and subtlety, in evil's suavity, planning evil in the far reaching, to accomplish their envious gain. Lo, they cannot destroy the Lord's work. Their end will be sad. Their faces shall turn about with darkness. Doubt and mistrust shall overtake them.

9 Turn away from those of adulterous and evil minds. They shall not have part in this work. Authority and trust they deny, and it shall not be with them.

10 Choose the clean, upright and the faithful, that the sacred work will not be defiled.

11 Fear not when evil arises; act in your place and calling, and put it from your midst. For unto those who qualify is given power over unclean and unholy spirits—those whom the Lord calls and are touched with his

Spirit. The hand of power and trust are his. He giveth as mankind prepares.

12 My mission is to cause righteousness to look down from above and to speak the will of the Lord.

13 Behold! the Lord knoweth his servants, and there are those that know his will and seek to establish the word. Let his servant Fuehrer continue, that the word may be translated, for many of the Lord's are among Israel.

14 Let Otto Arthur Leers come into this work, keep holy the way of the Lord. Let him be set apart as an elder, and evangelist, to represent Christ and his Church in that of his homeland and far and near, whithersoever the Lord shall lead and guide. The Lord has preserved him for this special work and to publish peace in his homeland. Let him fully establish the the work of truth in that land. Many of the favored of the Lord shall hear this way and come to the knowledge of truth. Take to them the way of life.

15 Teach baptisms, faith, and repentance towards God. Let the hands be laid on their heads for the gift, and gifts of God on men.

16 Deliverance shall come and the faithful shall stand.

17 Let those be removed that hinder or cause contention, that are not clean, and that obey not their calling, but in doubt and sin spread disbelief in the words I bring.

18 Blest are all those that see this way and the God of the living, the God of heaven and earth that stretched forth his wise design.

19 'Thus saith the Lord: I plead with mankind that he may know I have spoken. I have sent my messenger. I have not spoken in secret, I have spoken in power and given the plan. Will my Israel be delivered and come unto me, your Lord and God, moreover, the Christ, for I am he who speaketh. Lo, as the light shineth from the east unto the west, so, shall my coming be, and at an instant, suddenly shall a nation be born at once. Every heart shall cry and every tongue confess I am their Christ. So, shall the joy of the faithful be even in my glory. But Woe, Woe, Woe unto the wicked and those that count my commandments as naught. My words shall judge all men; both those that live and those that do not; both the righteous and the wicked; those in peace and those that are not. Yea, I have spoken and my words shall have their place. My messenger has come as I have sent him. He is my choice, and the faithful are mine election, saith your Lord.'

20 Let the message I bring be published in every land. Let it go in every language and tongue, to the ends of the earth. Peace will flow in rivers of joy unto many and tongues shall yet cry out in testimony to my coming, by the words I bring, and the ends of time.

21 The millennium is to be the Lord's reign and all men obey the Lord's will from sea to sea, from shore to shore, from north to south, from far and wide of the earth and the isles of the seas.

22 The Church of Christ shall continue on that a Church and people be fully prepared, and my duty is to bring instructions from the Lord your God to the Church and the children of men. Learn the better way at this, the closing time, the time the vineyard shall be cleansed and pruned, this, the last time, and the reign of peace breaks forth.

23 Keep sacred the trust, and holy the work, and the way of peace in your hearts and homes. I speak to all, the Church, and all who will hear.

24 I leave peace with you and on the Church. Fear not, I am John the Baptist, and I shall come again, until the work is finished. There are many yet the Lord will call and has reserved against the day, that the work may continue on. Amen."

Seventy-third Message

My work taking me through Kansas and through Wichita, I retired for the night about 2 a.m., August 12, 1949. I was asleep about 45 minutes when the Messenger of the Lord appeared and gave the following message. He was clothed with light and power. I felt his presence more than any man. He spoke calmly, but firm. He appeared at 2:45 a.m. and remained two hours. After the message was given we spoke as two men on several subjects. He revealed much to my joy. I pray for mankind to be humble and prayerful and seek to learn and know the truth in this way. May the Lord's peace be with all who read these words. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Write the message I will give you. Take heed the words I speak, for I speak the Lord's words and will. The Lord your God has sent me in the past and I will yet come in the future.

2 I come now with a message. I am the Messenger of the Lord, the forerunner of the Christ that will come for his own. All those that love his appearing shall find rest and peace with him.

3 I am John the Baptist, the Elias, which was for to come. I come at the Lord's appointing. I am the Branch; he that shall prune, refine and purify all that may dwell in the presence of the Lord and King of kings.

4 I bring peace like a river and the flowing stream of joy and life to all that heed and obey. I come that the plan might be fulfilled and great peace established.

5 Let the faithful take courage and lift up, for the authority and trust is placed upon you and you have not denied. But those that are full of doubts, fears, envy and revenge shall not stand. Those that speak lightly of the words I bring shall not be numbered with you. Let their names be removed for they are not a part of those that love truth. Yet they say, 'We love the Lord,' and do scatter seeds of evil all the day long. They worketh to destroy and know not the Lord's words and will. Their minds are darkened and they see not because of their traditions. Therefore the traditions and sins of men have ruled their lives and do destroy them because they will not repent.

6 The Lord knoweth the hearts of mankind and wherein they desire to learn and do his will, it shall be like precious ointment poured out upon the faithful to dwell in this light of life and salvation. For unto them, shall be great joy, that which the mind of man has not yet attained to.

7 Be not contentious. Speak the truth and be firm. A great light has been given but few there be that perceive it, because of the precepts and commandments of men; which bind and destroy, closing their understanding. Remember, the greater your study and illuminating of your minds with the words and will of the Lord, the greater your understanding and light shall be; freeing your lives from the bands of Satan and all his powers; making you a blessing among mankind.

8 Let your assemblings be, that, filled with peace. Let the Lord be honored. Let your conversations be yea, yea, and nay, nay and no evil will come among you. Defend the truth and crush the evil. Be pleasant in all your doings. I speak to all that will heed. Defile not the holy rites but keep sacred the plan of God.

9 Let the servants continue in the fields, for the harvest is white and there is much to be done.

10 Let Savage remain in the office for there is given him greater strength and responsibility. Let him continue his letters of encouragement everywhere, for the Lord has given his Spirit.

11 ‘Behold! saith the Lord, Let my servant Callin continue in his place, office and calling—for I have preserved him for this day, and prolonged his days among men, because of his faith and love for truth. Let him teach it to others everywhere. Continue the Voice of Peace as glad tidings, going to the ends of the earth, for I have spoken, saith the Lord.’

12 Let the Lord’s servant Scott be set apart as an elder and prepare for his place among the bishops, when a vacancy occurs.

13 Let George W. Snook and Charles W. Scourfield take up their work for the Lord has called them.

14 Let Fredrick Richard Christensen, Earl Allen, Charles Cooper, Osborn E. Peterson, Owen Hiriam Ray, Vern Oren Robertson, Aaron McClusky, Jr., George E. Greenman and Edwin McDonald be set apart as elders. The Lord’s peace will overflow them and there will be those that will take the message and authority to foreign fields, for there are many yet, not warned. Take to them the message of life.

15 Let the Lord’s servant Fuehrer take up fully this work. Let him be set apart as an evangelist, for the Lord has reserved him for a special cause and will bless him as he labors. Great peace shall come to him and he shall be a blessing to many.

16 Let these be set apart as deacons: Mervyn L. Johnson, Troy L. Hartle, Thomas M. Hartle, Dale M. Beam, John Thomas Finley and Walter L. Stearns. The Lord will bless them as they take up their work.

17 Give this message to the Church and fear not, but speak the truth. There are those that will not believe this message and speak lightly of the words I bring. Let them alone, they reject the Lord and the words I bring and the Lord rejects them.

18 Fear not, nor fret not because of the evils they say against this work, nor the snares they may lay to destroy, for they destroy themselves.

19 Let the work continue in the German field, for great is the work there and in its borders. Let the message go to other fields as the way opens. The Lord has reserved and preserved and established the faith there. Let it continue for peace and power of love shall overflow like a river, and many will be brought to the light, life and joy in the Lord will be with them. The Lord accepts the work being done at this time; let it continue.

20 Be calm, be at peace, many will defend the message I bring, have brought and will yet bring. I speak the truth; let it prevail, for the Lord your God has sent me. Peace I leave with you and the Church. Amen."

Seventy-fourth Message

The Messenger, John the Baptist, appeared at 2:40 a.m., January 8, 1951, and gave the following message. He was clothed in power and light as in all other occasions and visits. He spoke slowly, repeating at times as I wrote the message down. He was with me 40 minutes. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise, and take the message I will give you.

2 Behold, this is a day when the Lord has established his Church among men, to bring salvation to the earth in its fullness, and prepare a bride, the Lamb's wife; and power and authority is given that it shall be done.

3 Likewise, a day wherein Satan has great power and seeks to destroy all he can of the good, but he shall fail in the end. He has swayed men for this long time to follow traditions of men and not the way of God; having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof. They turned from the former commandment and remembered it not, until now, the faithful are holding to the truth, even the Record of the Nephites and all the Lord's words wherein there is but one Lord, one God[1], one salvation, one plan of redemption and a place in the hereafter for the faithful with God, and for those that doubt and are evil, captured by Satan, absorbed in his ways, shall remain so till the resurrections shall be, where the judgments are spread. It shall be man's own ways while here that decides his decree. Woe to the doubtful, the wicked, the heedless, and those that plan to destroy.

4 False prophets will arise. False proclaims will be made. Evil will grow worse and worse among the ungodly. Hearts will be sad until few will have faith in the gospel of Christ. Mockery shall be among men, but the truth shall go on to its mission.

[1] Deut. 6:4; Ephesians 4:6

5 I am the Messenger of the Lord. I am the one to bring the authority before the Christ. I am Christ's servant. I have brought and bring the instructions for the Church of Christ. I bring the message. I am sent from God. I speak his words, and moreover, it is Christ's words that shall judge all men. Trust not in the arm of flesh.

6 Fear not those who speak lightly of my coming for I come as the Lord commands. In days of old, there were those who said the Lord spoke not through Moses, through the prophets and through the Christ who walked among men. Nevertheless, the Lord has spoken, and speaks now as I come and his Church is set up among men. It shall continue on to prepare the bride until the Lord comes to reign on earth, when the powers of Satan are cast out and subdued, for the millennium reign of peace among mankind. All of those that doubt and reject will not be there.

7 The Lord accepts the work of the faithful; therefore continue on. Fear not those that reject the words I bring, those that speak lightly of the message, those that are removed. Have no part with them. They have no part in this work of the Lord's. Their minds are in darkness. They destroy themselves. Their hope fades away. Some will repent; others will fail. Some will blaspheme to the end. Man fails but the Lord's work will not. They that go from this work are 'as a body without the spirit is dead.'

8 Let Parkinson know the Lord placed him in the quorum of apostles. Let there be added to the apostles: Howard Leighton-Floyd, W. H. Callin and Andrew F. Flanders at this time. The Lord will call others as the vacancies occur—the work must go on.

9 Let there be added to the bishops: C. G. Clary, H. H. Burt and Seth LaVern Fife. Peace will come to the faithful that will do the Lord's bidding.

10 The Voice of Peace carries peace to many; let it continue.

11 Let R. C. Conoley and George Rolfe be set apart as evangelists. The Lord will open the way for their faith to be spoken to many.

12 A word to those that endure. Yea, greater things are yet. The unfolding of much is before you. The mysteries of God will no longer be hid, if you will have great faith and endure.

13 Let all be humble and the powers of the world will not disturb nor destroy. You have seen the vision, the wars and the peace. Hold sacred the will of the Lord, that the way of life may go to many.

14 I leave peace with you and will come again as the Lord will direct. Amen."

Seventy-fifth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me at the home of C. E. Crownover, 6718 Maple Street, Kansas City, Missouri, August 18, 1956, 3:53 a.m. and left at 4:35 a.m. These are the words which he told me to write. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and write the message I will give you. Give it to the brethren and the Church.

2 Lo, you have prayed for my coming and the Lord has heard and sent me. Satan has hindered many times in the past—of my coming. The Lord's work has suffered much. Satan has shown his iron hand and in vain has sought to have his way—but has caused unrest and no peace, deceiving, deceiving and planting evil seeds. In false prophecy has man been deceived and sin has wrought a work. Let it not be found among you.

3 As I speak to you, I speak to the brethren and the Church. Speak the words I bring, let them be heard. Destroy not the plan of God.

4 Behold! let not traditions come among you. The Lord speaks to the nations and this people as respect the day and days of rest, which is the Lord's day[1], being the first day of the week, that there might be a day for worship and learning of the Lord.

5 Let not division[2] come among you. For the old law and its traditions are finished[3] and is not a part of the gospel of Christ, in its sabbaths and burning of bloods—but forgiveness, humility, and sincerity, in the humble way of the Lord in obedience to the words Christ spoke in his gospel[4].

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[1] Revelation 1:10
[2] I Corinthians 1:10
[3] III Nephi 12:18; III Nephi 15:2, 8
[4] III Nephi 12:20

6 Fear not, ye say ye love the Lord; keep his words, bow not to the idols, respect the just plan of God. Great peace like rivers of flowing waters will come with power over you in mellowness of heart.

7 Speak the truth and justice will follow you wherever you go. Remember in the end when the angels divide between them that serve God and them that serve him not—be ye among them that serve the Lord. Though mankind may be consumed, let not the word of the Lord be hindered from its mission. The wicked are as chaff that the storm carrieth away, but the righteous as a sweet savor in his mouth.

8 I am sent of the Lord that I may bring the words and will of the Lord, that this work may be established in its purity. The words I bring is the assured way[5] of the Lord. Woe! to them that speak lightly or defile the words I bring. Woe! to them that are full of sin. The fury of the Lord's wrath shall be upon them and there shall none of their seed be left in the end. The candle of the wicked shall be put out[6]. Woe[7], to them that run ahead of the Lord, vainly prophesying.

9 Let Tiffin take his place among the bishops. Let Leonard Johnson be set apart as a bishop when the vacancy occurs.

10 Let Swanson and Thomas stand among the twelve. Let Edward Sykes, Conerd E. Crownover and George Rhodes be added to the quorum when the vacancies be. Let Crownover, Rhodes, Charles Morris and Warren Foskett be set apart as elders at this time. Let all be humble that the light of the Lord may shine in their lives and works.

11 I leave peace and calmness with you and will come again; be strong and fear not. Some will not accept the words I bring. Let them alone. Some will turn against you and the words I bring; they lose and are not a part of this work to the end. Your brethren will uphold you, for exceeding great joy shall be in their hearts in Christ's holy work. Amen."

[5] Message 62:17; Message 70:4; Message 71:4
[6] Proverbs 24:20
[7] II Nephi 9:30-38

Seventy-sixth Message

The Messenger appeared in my room at Brookville, Kansas, at 1:25 a.m., August 17th, 1959. He gave the following message slowly as I wrote it down, repeating words when necessary. He left at 2:12 a.m. The same glorious light that had accompanied him before filled the room. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take a message I bring at the Lord's appointing. I have come to you in the past and have spoken and will bring words and instructions from the Lord for his Church for the Lord your God has spoken.

2 Your peculiar work and appointings the Lord has given has been his will. You have seen the faithful, you have seen many fail. The faithful ones never waver and some who could help you have been as bitter enemies—to destroy. Put not your trust in man.

3 The Lord has spoken and his work is set in pace—let it continue.

4 Much has come to pass, and wars, famines and prosperity have come and will yet be. The faithful are making ready to bring about the Lord's Zion. Many represent Christ and are helping to bring peace.

5 Satan's work will be destroyed. The Lord sees the faith and good works of those that do his will. Continue and your way will be pleasant.

6 Let the work continue far and near. Let the translations continue that the messages of the Lord may go to all people.

7 Moreover the work of the Lord will continue. Groups will gather that they may have peace among them. Let humility and careful speaking be your mantle, in the faith of the Lord. The Lord is pleased with the work of the gatherings—let them continue that there may be examples of the Lord's power in bringing peace to many.

8 The Lord's plan has been decreed and it shall bear fruit. The great perils shall shake mankind and many will inquire of the Lord. Learning wisdom, their idols shall melt away, for the word shall go forth from Zion. Men's hearts shall be cleansed—being ministered unto by the word of the Lord. The faithful shall stand forth and many shall find salvation with the Lord.

9 Those that do evil and disobey will destroy themselves. The day comes when those that desire for greed and spoil will come to an end.

10 The Lord accepts the humility of the gathering of the assembly of his people. Continue and peace will go to each home and bring joy in the Lord.

11 Let Pritchard be restored; let Gibson and Wilkin be added to the twelve as the vacancies occur. Let R. G. Newby be set apart as an elder and let him take his place in the twelve. If he will be humble, much good can come from faithful works, for there are many who will learn the truth and follow the way of the Lord.

12 Let elders be set apart for labor as the Lord will direct—taking the field and establishing good works and bring peace to many. There are those that look to the Lord in all humility. Peace will be theirs.

13 Preach repentance everywhere that salvation may come to the obedient. Give these words to the brethren and the Church. The faithful will believe and obey. Others will turn farther away. Fear not. To judge is not man's duty. The Lord will reward. Be humble and fear not. Peace I leave with you.

14 I am the servant of the Lord. I speak his will. I am the elect one, the Ancient of days. This was my calling. I will continue to come until the work is finished and Christ comes to his temple and the gathering of his people. Amen."

Seventy-seventh Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me in the home of Brother and Sister Edward Lee Stone, 904 South Haden, Independence, Missouri, at 3:05 a.m., August 23, 1960. He left at 4:00 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! Arise and write the message I will give you. I am your fellow servant—the Messenger of the Lord. I come at his appointing. I am sent from God and I bring a message of light, that the standard may be completely set and the words of the prophecies be fulfilled.

2 Continue to let humility be your mantle and speak in the way of the Lord.

3 This is a great work and greater things shall come to pass. Much will happen to try the faith of all. Be not discouraged, be not troubled. Live in peace and keep the Spirit of God among you.

4 Let all that can be in the field.

5 Let the quorums counsel together and keep peace in the office where many come and go. Let the quorums work together.

6 Let Savage remember the greatness of his calling and shrink not from his duty, but be at peace and full of love and encouragement. All have their place and calling, let him remain in the office.

7 The Lord's Spirit has been in your midst. Keep it in your hearts and minds that peace will go with you wherever you go.

8 Let those come in by the door whom the Lord has touched by his Spirit. Let them be humble, teaching the truth as it is written and the words I bring.

9 Let there be added to the bishops—Clyde G. Clary.

10 Let there be added to the evangelists: W. E. Baughman, Dean T. Corbin, Clay W. England; and to the elders: Lloyd B. Winans, Donald Harsch, Oscar Nicholson—and when these come in this work: Ed Bowers, Albert E. Fassel, Arthur B. Smith, Arthur G. Smith, James W. Goff, Gerald L. Goff, John P. Goff, and Joseph E. Goff.

11 If these men will be humble and prepare, holding high the banner of truth—the full standard, they shall be blessed in very deed. Great good will come of their works. They shall cause many to learn the truth, the assured way of the Lord.

12 Long the Lord accepts the first day of the week to gather and worship in respect to the resurrection. Let your minds be holy at all times. Be in humility that the Lord will hear your prayers.

13 Thus saith the Lord, 'I give my commandments to those that name my name to serve me and I know their covenant. I speak to those of the Church of Christ and to all that will become my bride, my people. To the apostles I give their charge in all the world. Be not slothful in your calling, for this I require of you. Be obedient.'

14 I leave peace with you and will come again. Amen."

Seventy-eighth Message

August 21, 1962, while staying at the Earle Hotel, Independence, Missouri, U.S.A. I was awakened. It was 3:24 a.m. as I could plainly see the clock. At 3:40 the Messenger appeared by my bedside and gave the following message. He left at 4:22 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 “Behold, arise and write the message I will give you.

2 I am the Messenger of the Lord and I come from his presence. I am he who cried repentance in the wilderness. I am he to cry repentance now. I am the Messenger of the Covenant; the promised one to come. I come at the Lord’s appointing. Many pray for my coming. Your work is to present the words I bring. To all that heed and will obey fear not, for great is your work yet to be done.

3 Moreover, there are those who bear the fruits of the Spirit and are humble. Many seek to be right before God.

4 The Lord has given those to encourage you and to stand by you. He knows your strength and weakness and he will save to the uttermost. Be not fretful. Be very humble. Continue with all your might to do the Lord’s work.

5 Lo, and behold, the Lord’s arm is not shortened. He reaches forth for all to come into this work.

6 Go forth, the pruning is on. The hour of God’s judgment is under way. The sifting and the gathering is on. Seek to save and not destroy.

7 Let the things of confusion be away from you. Let all be encouraged.

8 Let the message, the gospel of Christ go to the ends of the earth.

9 Let the work be more firmly established here.

10 Let men prepare, choose the wise and careful and those that will be humble.

11 Prepare for this message to go to the ends of the earth that the word of the Lord may be established.

12 Give ear, Oh ye people of the earth. Heed the warning today, prepare and your joy will be full when the Lord comes to claim his bride. The greater power is promised and it shall do its work.

13 Let there be added to the bishops—C. W. Brizendine. Let him be ordained an elder. Let these be set apart as elders: Henry L. Hopper, Roger Vick, Donald R. Vick, Willaim Mathis and Frank David Mallory. Let Fuller Johnson know his call is from the Lord.

14 Let Michael A. Romero be set apart as an evangelist. Let him go to his people in their language and tongue. If these be humble, great good will come of their works. Let them study that they may know the gospel in truth and power. Also set Mervyn Johnson apart an evangelist.

15 My message is one of peace to those that will come the way of the Lord. To those not yet covenanted with the Lord, this is the way of life, the gospel of Christ that is brought in power and authority for salvation unto mankind. Let all that seek Christ and his Church come into this work. For salvation is given by the power of God.

16 The Lord has seen your humility, rejoice that you are the children of your God.

17 My message is to all that hear and obey and to all that will come. Send it to the Church. Your Assembly has been pleasing in the eyes of God. Keep peace among you. I leave peace with you. Amen."

Seventy-ninth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the Elias, appeared to me Wednesday, August 21st, 1963 at my home, 1500 West Lexington Street, Independence, Missouri. The light of the Lord was with him and filled the room. He bid me arise. He appeared at 4:05 a.m. and left at 4:50 a.m.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! Arise and write the words I will give you for the servants of the Lord and the Church.

2 I am your fellow servant. I am the Elias which was for to come. I am the forerunner of the Christ which is to return to claim his bride—the Church.
3 Let her make ready and be prepared, for lo, this is my work to work in

the vineyard with the people of the Lord.
4 The Lord accepts the work of the faithful and those that love truth.

5 Behold! How great and good it is to defend the words I bring. Let them be preserved, and prepared accurately as I give them to you, as you have done in the past.
6 Let all trim their lamps and fill their souls with the Spirit of God that their works may stand the test.

7 Trials will come and burdens heavy, but the Lord is your yoke and peace and it shall flow like a river of light and life.
8 Let peace be restored to the weary, but let them obey and defend my message—the words I bring from the Lord's presence.
9 Let all that can be in the field.
10 Let Howard Leighton-Floyd be in the field of work as the Lord by his Spirit will direct.
11 Let E. Sykes be in the work in foreign fields. The Lord will prepare the way before him. As much as possible let the companions go also.
12 Let Albert Leighton-Floyd know the Lord will use him and the way will open for greater works in taking the gospel to many.
13 Let R. G. Newby be in the field as much as possible and aid the brethren in establishing the work elsewhere.
14 Send help to North Carolina for the field is white unto harvest.
15 Let the translations continue. Let the word go out fast and far. The way grows in need. Hasten!
16 Let Warren Foskett study the Spanish that he may go to many to aid in the work.
17 Save to the uttermost.

18 Let Newell Mead know the Lord knows his faith and restores the eldership unto him in light and power of the Lord.

19 Let Kenneth Swanson be set apart an elder and the peace and power will come to him to defend my words and teach salvation unto others. He may help steer aright others and bring them to defend this cause.

20 Build a house unto the Lord as the way opens and many will flow unto it in this cause.

21 Command peace and it will come to you one and all.

22 'Behold! Hearken! Would my people hear, saith the Lord, if I speak in peace and power? Will they fill their vessels with oil? The cup of the Lord runneth over.

23 Establish the work with a firm hand. Let not the holy rites be trampled on. Let all who come to this great light come in by the door and lift their faith to me, saith the Lord, for I will be with you all the way.'

24 Let Floyd Ford know the Lord has put on him to carry the word to those near and around about; for there are those that seek truth and will hear and obey. Hasten! Be up and doing.

25 Give this to the brethren and the Church. Publish it and peace will follow.

26 Be calm, be firm and let all know the Lord sees their faith and knows their hearts are filled with love.

27 Peace I leave with all that believe and obey and defend this cause—the words I bring. Amen."

Eightieth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, John the Baptist, appeared in my home, 1500 West Lexington Street, Independence, Missouri, U.S.A. His presence awoke me. The room, in fact the whole house was filled with light and the power of the Lord. He gave the following message. After he left I walked down the hall to the front room to see the time from the big clock on the wall. It was 4:45 a.m., August 15, 1964. He was with me about an hour and 25 minutes. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I come from the presence of the Lord to bring instructions and directions for the Church, the people of his elect. I am the servant come to call others to work a work[1], to bring the restitution and restoration of all things[2]. To the wise a warning[3], to those that look for it—the fulfilling and bringing in the assured way of salvation, all else will not save you. It must be the Christ and his teachings, his words, for salvation only comes by him.

2 I am sent at this time, the Lord's appointing. Give my words to the Church, the brethren. There are many faithful that grow not weary in well doing. The Lord's work is set in pace, let it move on.

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[1] Jacob 5: all
[2] Matt. 17:11-13
[3] Matt. 25:1-13

3 Take hold your peculiar work. Lift your brethren that all may arise to greater standards and the people be made strong, filled with the Lord's Spirit.

4 The time comes when Zion shall be established[4], a nation in righteousness. Then the dominions, the kingdoms absorbed by his righteousness and power, shall be given to the saints of the Most High[5]. His enemies shall be turned back; they shall fall and perish at his presence.

5 I am the Elias, the forerunner of the Christ[6]. There are many representing Christ and believe in my coming, yet they heed not my words.

6 Churches will unite, some will come into this way and be made ready. Put on the armor of faith[7], the shield of wisdom, knowledge and salvation.

7 Mankind chooses this day, what his destiny in the hereafter shall be[8].

8 There will come vacancies in the men that lead in this work. Let them be filled as I shall direct you of the Lord's will. When men fail it is of their own choosing and action.

9 Let there be a house, a church building, a place of worship, built for this work; for the local of Independence to meet and hold their convocations[9], their services to the Lord. In peace the Lord will meet with them, many shall see the hand of God move. Many will flow into it to find the way of truth and life. Let the headquarters and records be there. Keep and protect the records and files. Let Edward Lee Stone continue the information and files on all that come into this work.

10 Fear not and worry not about the temple of the Lord, for the Lord can choose the place, the time to build, and direct in his work when he desires his temple to be built. But with all, let there be churches and buildings dedicated to the Lord's work everywhere—in the name of the

[4] III Nephi 21:1
[5] Daniel 7:14, 18, 22, 27
[6] Luke 1:17
[7] Ephesians 6:11, 13, 16
[8] Joshua 24:15; Alma 12:24; Alma 34:35; Alma 42:24
[9] Leviticus 23:2; Exodus 12:16

Church of Christ, with the Elijah Message[10]. Declare among the people the Lord's doings.

11 The Lord has given those to help and defend this cause. He has given those to stand by you and cause this work to move on in the Lord's will. Be strong, be firm, let the truth be heard everywhere.

12 Meet in the Assembly, let your prayers be solemn and from the heart.

13 Establish peace and power will dwell with you. Sanctify the people in holiness and good works, obedient to the words I bring. Let the work of preaching and teaching continue everywhere and the Lord will be your strength and stay.

14 Those that contend, believing not all the words I bring, let them have no voice or vote in this work; already they remove themselves from your numbers. Pray that they may repent and obey the Lord's will, for I speak his will.

15 Let the young and old work together that the work may be planted everywhere. The Lord is pleased with the efforts of the young servants, their labor in love, taking the message from door to door.

16 Let LeVon Walker, Richard F. Ream, Benjamin F. Sanders, Columbus Rivers and Dohn Emmet Weaver be ordained as elders, preaching faith in the Lord and his divine way, repentance and remission of sins through the atoning blood of Christ.

17 I am the Elias. I am John the Baptist. I came at the time before the Christ walked among men. I come now to work a work to save mankind. My mission is one of love. Will mankind heed?

18 Peace I bring, peace I leave with you. Amen."

[10] Malachi 4:5, 6

Eighty-first Message

In this month of March the Messenger appeared to me on two different occasions. The room each time was light as noonday. He stood looking at me and smiled each time, but disappeared before I could arise. I felt he would come again soon and leave a message. Many were praying for his return to bring more of the words and will of the Lord. He appeared the third time, March 30, 1965, at 2:40 a.m. at my home, 1500 West Lexington Avenue, Independence, Missouri and left the following message. He spoke slowly and I wrote it word for word as he gave it. He left at 4:31 a.m., thus he was with me lacking nine minutes of being two hours. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the message I will give you.

2 Fret not nor worry not, this is the Lord's work. I have come to you and given the message. The authority and trust is upon you. No one nor none other can take it from you. All that they have, you have given them of the Lord's calling.

3 Some will turn against this work. Some will let Satan destroy them, others will be true. Some will yet arise to faithful works, upholding you and the message I bring from the Lord's planning and will.

4 You have done the Lord's will and work. Preserve the work and keep sacred the authority, and the Lord's power will be upon you. Stand firm, hold to your calling.

5 Let none destroy the plan nor the power or sacredness of the holy priesthood after the order of the Son of God that was once delivered to Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery, and faithfully preserved to this day and time through the remnant unto which the Lord has sent me, and I have continued to come to, sent of the Lord God, establishing anew through the command of obedience of baptisms through the Lord's servant Otto Fetting and your fellow leader who was faithful in his day of works.

6 Now you have been faithful to set firm, legally establishing the line of authority, preserved into the remnant whom God shall call—through whom his work shall be accomplished.

7 Adjust yourselves to be up and doing.

8 Those that hinder, let them be removed for already they doubt the words I bring, and fail to see the Lord's hands moving.

9 Add to you faith knowledge, wisdom and obedience in all things, hope in eternal salvation.

10 Ye that are afar off, ye that are near, ye that are almost persuaded, come into this way and work of the Lord. Greater responsibilities will be yours to have and to hold in service to the Lord in his way.

11 Seek to save yourselves, endure and seek to bring salvation to others, bring them into this work.

12 Fear not what men may say of you and your work. There are those when they hear will go all the way with you and the message I bring.

13 Remember the Lord Jesus Christ is the truth, the way and the life. No other way can mankind be saved and that in the life of the flesh, this life of probation only. Mankind chooses this day what his destiny shall be in the hereafter—in the resurrection.

14 When the saints gather for their prayers and humbly seeking the Lord, in their communion, the Lord's supper or sacrament, let them partake the bread an emblem of the Lord's body; the wine unfermented grape juice from the fruit of the vine, emblem of the blood of the Lamb of God spilled for all mankind that the sins of the truly repentant that look to him may be forgiven and have life and find it more abundantly.

15 He that striveth for the mastery, let him be temperate in all things.

16 The tongue of fire kindleth a world of iniquity. Watch therefore and pray. Go therefore and deliver the decrees to those that are ordained of this work—that they may keep them.

17 Let all come to attendance to exhortations to doctrine that greater light may come, and it will to those that prepare for it, unto the measure of Christ, in all things showing good works.

18 Remember there is one God, one Jesus Christ, between God and men who gave himself a ransom for all—that mankind may be redeemed, even the saving of sinners, a way of deliverance.

19 Let the shepherds feed the flock that they fear no more, and they shall not want. Let your cloak and mantle be humility, for grace shall come to all such. Christ giveth the life that they may have it more abundantly, a pure heart and faithful works, a good conscience toward God and your fellowmen.

20 Let the words I bring be the rule and guide with the Articles of Faith and Practice, for upon all the Lord's words, will and planning shall this work be built.

21 Let the house of the Lord be built, and the Church of Christ with the words I bring, the Elijah Message be established everywhere. Come! All that love the Lord and this work, work together. This is the Lord's anointed, and appointed, the associated ones of faith. Peace be unto all.

22 Many represent Christ, but you men are to represent Christ and his Church.

23 The Church is organized. I have given the type and leadership, the way through the gates is open. Repentance and faith are the beginning, worship and receive the gift. The hands must be laid upon all that the Spirit might come to those that prepare for it.

24 Heed my message for this is my mission. The doctrine is given, and is set forth in the Bible, the Record of the Nephites, and The Word of the Lord, the words I bring.

25 I am John the Baptist, the spirit and power of Elias, the Elias, the Elijah which was for to come to restore all things. I am the elect one, the horn, the Ancient of days, I am the forerunner. I am the Messenger of the Covenant, the promised one. I came before the Christ, preached repentance in the wilderness. I proclaim the word again before the Christ shall come again. I shall be with him when he comes to claim his bride, the Church.

26 This is the assured way, the way of life and salvation. Let all men flow into this way.

27 As mankind subdues the earth and climbs to other spheres and planets, learns God's great universe, the closer comes to unveiling all mysteries and understandings be uncovered.

28 I have come at the Lord's appointing. I have been sent. May the Church be steady for time of the end draws nigh.

29 Let the message and word of life be broadcasted everywhere, to every nation, language and tongue, to every heart.

30 Let the work continue everywhere, far and near. Let all take courage for the Lord has sent me. I am your fellow servant. I bring the warning of Christ coming and instructions of his will to the Church.

31 Let Steve Martin be set apart as an elder; the Lord has heard his prayers and knows his humility.

32 Let Raymond Ridgell and Milfred O. Walberg come in this work and let them be set apart as elders, moreover as evangelists in this work. The Lord will bless them in their faith and efforts. Much good can be done. Many can be brought to know the truth, this way of life.

33 As I speak to you, so is my message to all. Give this message to the brethren, the Church, let it be published with the rest. Peace I leave with you. Amen."

Eighty-second Message

The Messenger came to me at my home 3:30 a.m., August 15, 1965, 1500 West Lexington Avenue, Independence, Missouri, 64052 and gave the following message. The room was filled with light that accompanies him, the same as before when he appeared. His divine presence permeated my whole being. He spoke calmly and slowly and repeated at times so that I wrote every word as he spoke them. He left at 4:35 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the message I will give you.

2 I have come to you from time to time, to instruct in the work being done, for the Church of Christ. I bring the warning. I proclaim the will of the Lord. I have brought the authority and it is among men. Some accept it, others reject it—nevertheless it is given, that the servants of the Lord may be filled with the Spirit of God. That they may take the message of the gospel to the nations of the earth. Keep it pure and holy.

3 I come, and speak in your language that you may understand and impart it to the children of men.

4 You are the remnant of the faithful down to this day and time in which the Lord will do a work, and deliver his people as in the days of old.

5 Be faithful and the word shall deliver you and all the faithful but to those that doubt and reject shall not be there.

6 They that deny and reject my words are as clouds without water, empty vessels. How good and great of vessels of honor could have been for those that once were filled with the gift of this work—but now turn from it. And they choose darkness rather than light. Hence let them be released of their charge and responsibility.

7 Remember the day comes when there will be no more evil in all the land of God's people. For peace and tranquility will be serene there.

8 Where are those with patience that believe in God's words and plan?

9 Blessed are all those that defend this cause believing all the words I bring. Truth shall live and bring to naught all error. Shape your lives by the words I bring to you and it will be well with you.

10 There are those that are traitors to this work, they have no part in the work of the Lord.

11 Teach diligently the doctrine of the gospel of Christ Jesus. Let your conversations be in humility, for this shall be your power in winning your brother—whose mind is in the dark.

12 Those that speak lightly of my coming and of the words I bring have lost the Spirit of God and of this work of salvation. Satan has sought to have them, save all that you can.

13 Oh! that they would repent and heed the words I bring and the still small voice of the Lord. Defend this cause for it is, that mankind may be lifted from the curse.

14 Behold! the Lord will speak in greater power—would mankind heed, that he may be filled and find life and light in living, yea, and come forth in the resurrection of the Lord's calling?

15 They that reject my words and heed not, already they are without the authority of this work.

16 How great a work could be accomplished if all would be humble and obedient with no jealousy, envy or strife. Doubts enter, then bitterness and hard feelings, then they oppose this work and seek to destroy you and the message I bring, the way of peace and blessings for the obedient.

17 Peace like a river of pure waters will flow to all the faithful that heed and obey. Give to them the words I bring. Let gladness and peace in God be in your hearts and the oppressors will fade away.

18 Seek to save. Seek to remove the doubts, lest it destroy the doubter.

19 Some will rejoice to know I have come. I come not to another, but I come to you and have come. This is your work to take the message and give it to the Church. Many will accept it, some will reject it, some will blaspheme and destroy their usefulness and service to God in his planning.

20 Man cannot lift himself without the Spirit, he will fail. With the Lord's power great things will be accomplished everywhere and peace shall be there.

21 Pay your tithes and oblations that the faithful may carry on. Let the hindering causes be removed that the work may roll on. The wheels of justice are turning. The purging and cleansing is on. Man cannot glory in himself.

22 I am the one to give the instructions of the Lord. I bring the message to you for the Lord's people—this is your calling and in the plan of God.

23 He hears the prayers of the faithful and humble. He will yet hear and answer to the joy of the righteous.

24 The work is established and set in pace. Many will join in this work and the success of the righteous will be great in the Lord's sight.

25 The vision has been given—see the powers move that cause distress, see those opposing the wars and the downfall of nations. The sifting time is on—men's hearts are tried. Who will stand, and who may abide the days to come?

26 That this work may go on as the vacancies occur as I told you—others will be called to labor in the quorums. Let these be set apart that I shall give you at this time.

27 That in the far reaching and that the work may not halter, let these prepare for the apostleship: George Rolfe, Warren R. Foskett, Richard F. Ream, Richard A. Johnson and Lloyd Ford. Let them be humble for great is this responsibility.

28 As the changes come, let the vacancies be filled.

29 Let these prepare for the bishops as there will come other changes: Mervyn Johnson, Earl W. Baggerly, Edward Lee Stone, and Floyd E. Bechtel.

30 Let Vincent W. Yates, Henry L. Hopper, Frank Stanley, LeVon Walker, Dohn E. Weaver, Oscar R. Nicholson and Columbus Rivers be set apart as evangelists.

31 Let Gary Doudy and Wallace Yates be set apart as elders.

32 Let Glen Doudy and John Leabo come through the water of baptism and take up their work as evangelists—servants in the cause of Christ.

33 Let L. M. Thornton come into this work and obey the words I bring. Let him be set apart as an apostle as the way opens and great good will be the work he may do in bringing many to salvation. His prayers have been heard. This is the assured way.

34 I am John the Baptist, I am the prudent one, I am the Elias, I am the forerunner of the Christ that shall come to the bride the Church now being prepared to meet the Lord at his coming.

35 Heed my words today—repent in humility and save yourselves. Teach repentance and salvation through the baptisms—and the Spirit will work to save souls of men.

36 Come forth with compassion to save and work together. All will see this work if they will listen and wait in peace.

37 Hold high the standard and the hands of justice. Keep the peace.

38 I will come again. I leave peace with you and all that hear. Amen."

Eighty-third Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me in my home, 1500 West Lexington Avenue, Independence, Missouri, 64052 February 14, 1966, 2:10 a.m. and left at 3:35 a.m. He spoke firmly and slowly. I wrote the message as he gave it.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and write the message I will give to you at this time.

2 I have been sent of the Lord. I come to do his bidding. I speak his words and will. My message is true and faithfully given—it must be obeyed.

3 I have come and will yet come, as the prophets of old have foretold. My mission is one of love.

4 Teach the reign of peace. Teach faith in God and his plan and decrees. Proclaim the word commanding all mankind everywhere to repent and

obey for the time has come when the way of truth alone shall stand. All else will come to naught.

5 The ways of man will not save you. I give the instructions and the authority in its assured way. Those that speak lightly of my words, deny me and the trust and authority— it is taken from them for they lose by their sin. In time they will amount to nothing. Fear them not. They have no right nor authority from my words.

6 Defend the words I bring. To the faithful: continue and hold high the standard and the words and work I bring. As you prepare for it, greater peace and power will come to all.

7 Let the apostles and bishops counsel together and stand firm to defend the Church of Christ, with the words I bring.

8 I brought the authority and trust, to re-establish the work to Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery and again anew in 1929 to Otto Fetting. I continue to come bringing words of instructions and directions, revealing God's will, unveiling the mysteries of the Kingdom of God on earth. For my coming is that mankind may endure and prepare for the coming of the Christ to earth again. I bring a way of deliverance from sin to life and way to the Lord.

9 I am the forerunner of Christ, the proclaimer of the warning, the announcer of his soon coming.

10 I am the Messenger of the Covenant, the servant of the Lord, the Elias which was for to come. I bring the Elijah Message.

11 Those that have obeyed and are obeying my injunctions and directions, retaining and preserving the authority I bring, are the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message, established anew in 1929. Let it go to the ends of the earth, proclaiming the gospel of Christ.

12 The Lord has reserved and preserved many to help in this work in the far reaching and soon to come. Many are desirous to hear the message of life, the gospel, the glad tidings, the good news with the authority of the Lord—the fulfilling of the word.

13 The gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world. Yea, it shall be published in all lands. Deliverance will come to all that will hear and obey. Come all the way.

14 All that come to the Church of Christ must be baptized of the water and of the Spirit. The hands must be laid on all, that they may receive the gift of the Spirit of God; truly be born again.

15 Teach the decrees of the Lord that all shall be converted to salvation and the gospel. The way of life in the Kingdom of God to eternity shall be their reward.

16 Yea, to those that are almost persuaded to come in this way of the Lord, to life eternal with God your Redeemer, the Christ, the giver of life, your Witnesser and Commander, the Savior of mankind—hear him today.

17 This is the midnight cry. Come, join ye to the rest and peace the Lord can give. Go ye to meet the Lord—in service to the people. Your reward shall be sure.

18 Many will come into this way. Bring them to the Lord.

19 The Lord accepts the house built unto him. His peace shall be there.

20 The Lord will bless all that help to bring about his Zion in righteousness. Not by might, nor by evil powers, but by the Spirit and faithful service to the Lord, love that surpasseth the understanding of man.

21 Those that are covenant breakers, turn away from—and those that count my words and this work as evil. Let them alone. Thus saith the Lord, 'They know not my gospel, for I am the Lord and Savior, I only am the Eternal God. Those that believe not my words, they doubt and count them as from the evil. It is they that listen to the whisperings of Satan and he has taken hold of them and as with a silver thread about their necks, he leadeth slowly down to that awful hell, saith your Lord.'

22 Fear not those that have gone from this work, they become as empty vessels of dishonor, turning against the words I bring. I am sent of the Lord. I come from his presence.

23 They reject me. They have a veil over their minds, their understanding is covered. They obey not the Lord's command. They have not, because they do not the pleasing things of the Lord in defending all the words, directions and instructions I bring, and my coming. They are traitors to the work I bring of the Lord. Will they repent and return to the Lord?

24 Save your strength. Be up and doing for the Lord and this cause.

25 I will give you more for the apostles, and as vacancies occur let them take their calling that the work will go on: Charles O. Martin, Edward Lee Stone, Roy Woodward, R. David Temple. I will give others as the need shall be.

26 Let these prepare for the bishopric when the need occurs: Vincent W. Yates, Newell J. Mead and Dohn E. Weaver.

27 To evangelist: Thomas Evanson, A. H. Morse, Deonarine Ojar and Dolton. If they will be humble, the Lord will bless.

28 To the elders: Phillip M. Dixon, Glen Chittenden, and Donald E. Thompson.

29 The Lord will give peace to the faithful—keep the peace. Command peace and justice will follow you wherever you go.

30 Proclaim my coming and words everywhere. Let none take part until they come in by the door.

31 Proclaim the gospel everywhere and in every way possible. Let the decrees be taught and published for all to hear and obey.

32 Pay your tithes and oblations that the work may continue on.

33 Let Stone and Pritchard be in the field as much as possible and the way will open for others soon.

34 Let Clay England know the Lord accepts his efforts. Send help to the Indies soon as it can be arranged. Bring souls into this way. Baptize and set those apart that are truly humble and converted to this way—teaching the way of life and deliverance in the Christ.

35 I will come again. I will direct in all things. I leave peace with you. Amen."

Eighty-fourth Message

The Messenger, John the Baptist, a resurrected being, appeared in my room, November 3, 1966, at 1:30 a.m. and was with me over two hours. He gave the following message. He was clothed with the same white robe he wore on previous visits. The room was full of light, no shadows anywhere. He was powerful in his voice, and a flame of the Spirit of God issued from him. He stood by my side and began giving the message. He then sat on the bed as I sat on a chair by the table. He spoke a sentence at a time repeating to see that each word was accurate, as he spake it. He left at 3:45 a.m. The following is the message.
-- W.A. Draves

1 “Behold! Arise and write the message I will give you. I come at the Lord’s appointing. I come from his presence. I bring his words, I speak his will.

2 I am the servant of the Lord. I am the forerunner of the Christ. I am he to prepare the way. I give the word in due season. I speak in the Spirit and power of God, of the Elias, the assured way, a fountain of truth. I am clothed with light for a covering. The words I speak are eternal words. I speak the words of Christ, the Living God. His words shall judge you in the last day. Shape your lives by the words I bring and it will be well with you. This is the assured way of the Lord.

3 Let the Church and all men respect the resurrection, for with it there is hope for all mankind. Come together and worship on the first day of the week—but remember God always. Keep the Lord’s day holy.

4 Be wise in works and humble in your talk and the Lord will direct in all things.

5 When the fruit is ripe, then is the time to pluck. He that gathereth when the harvest is not ripe—it wasteth away and their labor is in vain.

6 Keep the faith and endure and the sunlight of righteousness shall arise over you, with healing in his wings and ye shall be preserved in the hour when trials are upon you. Deliverance will come. Command peace and it will bring you through.

7 God is love. My message is one of love. Keep the mellowing Spirit in your hearts. Many are moved by the power of God. Many have been touched by the Spirit of the Lord. Many represent Christ and are ready for this work. They that are for us are not against us.

8 I bring the authority and trust. I give the opening of the way for the flow of God to come unto mankind. I have given the holy priesthood after the order of God, after the order of his Son. This authority was given and relayed on unto the Church and the ministry of the Church of Christ, the Church with my message, the Elijah Message, ordained in 1829 upon the heads of Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery and reiterated a hundred years later to Otto Fetting, an apostle in the remnant the Lord had preserved on the temple lot.

9 Oh, that mankind would hear my words and obey. Light and life would come to them for the Christ is the ruler and judge of all.

10 You will see the powers at work. Churches will unite, there will be uniting of forces. Those seeking truth will flow into this way. The greater

your understanding, the greater the light shall be and the greater will be your work.

11 My work is that Israel might be gathered and Joseph brought to understanding.

12 Seek out, acquire and restore with meekness those that are humble, repentant and full of love, if they will come to doctrine and truth and refrain from teaching of men and traditions that will not save you but the gospel of Christ of redemption and salvation unto eternity of eternal hope with God—preaching Christ and him crucified and resurrected.

13 It is finished, no more the old law of burning of sacrifices on the alter and its spilt bloods, the worship of day or days. But keep ye the Lord's day, the first day of the week for worship and service in respect to the resurrection. Herein was the gospel restored to a nation and nations bringing forth fruits thereof.

14 Mankind cannot lift himself. He cannot be self-appointed. His works will not stand the test.

15 'Behold! saith the Lord, I have sent my messenger to speak my will. My words shall not return unto me void but shall bring forth. There shall be those with faith when I come to earth to reign.

16 I am he that is called I AM. I am the Great White Spirit. I am he that is called Shiloh. I am all in all. I am the only living God, Creator of the universe, ruler and judge of all. I am the chief cornerstone, I am the stone the builders rejected. I am the Christ, the Son of man.

17 I am God, I change not. I am he that was called Jehovah. I am Jesus Christ. I am the beginning and the end. I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, I am the Lord. I am he that was manifested in the flesh, in the flesh-death and resurrection. I am he that is risen. I am the Lord God.

18 All they that hear me and learn of me, hearing my decrees and obey, shall have right to eternity with me, your Lord God Christ forever.

19 I am he that formed the heavens and the earth and all things that in them are. I am he that placed man in the garden and preserved Noah over the flood. I am he that chose Abraham for his great faith. His seed is as the sands of the seashores, innumerable. I am he that led Israel through the Red Sea and over Jordan and I will deliver my people today, if they will watch and pray and serve me, your Master and Lord God.

20 When mankind will learn of me, he shall be lifted from darkness unto light and power—and hearing me I will hear him and heal your souls and your lands.

21 You will see many fall on the one hand and many more on the left because of the works of Satan. They will not hear because of the teachings and pride of men, the traditions of men, saith the Lord.'

22 Lo, the evil is at work and will do all he can to destroy—and that through mankind and through some that claim to love the Lord.

23 Fear not, the Lord will raise up those to defend this cause. Even now, the great power of peace and deliverance is coming and at work, yea, even till the Bridegroom comes and the door is shut.

24 All those that shall be there, those that shall be with him are they that have had their lamps trimmed and burning: their lives arrayed in righteousness, their vessels filled with oil, their lives and works filled with the Spirit of God. Their works show their faith, shaped by the words I bring. None shall stand, none shall endure that will not heed the words I bring for I bring a restoration and restitution of all things—the holy priesthood of God after the order of God, manifested in the flesh decreed from the beginning— stretching out the heavens, the earth to her former beauty, the waters above the firmament as well as in the deep.

25 The day comes when there shall be a new heaven and a new earth. Sin shall not be there for there will be no more Satan.

26 Behold! The work is in the hands of the faithful. I give charge that you see that it is directed humbly and in love. The work you do will be recorded in heaven, that which you bind on earth will be bound in heaven. That which you loose shall be loosed in heaven. Those that do or have spoken lightly and bitter of this work—their charge and responsibility they betray and it is taken from them. Therefore they have no part in the sacred work of the Lord. They walk in darkness at noonday.

27 See those that grope in darkness because they will not or do not study. Many are called, some faithful, some have been ordained yet they are slow to prepare themselves to be leaders. The desires of their hearts are not yet filled—nor the Lord's will obeyed.

28 Set none apart that will not come to doctrine and seek to defend all the words I bring, for I bring light. The earth shall be filled with the light I shall bring.

29 I bring the everlasting gospel. It is Christ's words that shall judge all mankind. Those that hear you will hear me and the words I bring from the Lord.

30 The day comes when all that serve the Lord will become a delightsome people, made white through the righteousness of their obedience to the Lord, the Ensample, the Lamb of God.

31 The heat of the sun shall no more burn upon their faces for the Lord shall be the light upon them.

32 Worship and find the gift. The gospel is salvation to the faithful, hope in eternity with the Lord. They that bring forth fruit shall find peace and rest from all their labors—peace in their hearts of God towards all men.

33 'Oh! I would that mankind would hear my words today as delivered by mine angel and humble themselves.

34 Oh! Do they not know the storms of life will bring them low—the hard of heart, the haughty, the highminded? I will be slow to hear their cry. They speak lightly of my injunctions and words of instructions and come not to doctrine and my decrees.'

35 There are those that say I have not spoken, but I come that mankind may find a way and learn deliverance. There is safety in the obeying the words I bring.

36 The ideals in man's heart will fade away. The great truth and the Church in her bright garments must shine and stand forth. This is light and truth that Jesus is the Christ the Eternal God.

37 For the faithful, the sojourn in the wilderness is nearing an end, the Gentile times are closing in. The day comes when it will be said, 'The people of the Lord' and them that serve him not. Be ye repentant and the Lord will hear and heal all the weak and make you strong.

38 How oft have I told you, worry not over what men may say of you. The Lord knows your repentance and your righteous desires to ever be in his will. You have done the Lord's bidding in the establishing the Church and it's holy priesthood authority according to the laws of the land. Those that are with you and defend the words I bring are the Church of Christ in deed and works. The Church with the Elijah Message, set in 1829 by my hands when the holy priesthood authority was restored and kept sacred through the branch and remnant on the temple lot and reaffirmed upon Otto Fetting in his day—and I continue to come. Be delivered from the sins and traditions of men and lifted from the awful

curse the prophet of old told of, lest the Lord should smite the earth and all men be in vain.

39 He cometh, who is the Deliverer. I am his forerunner, I am the Elias, I bring his message of love. The carnal mind of man cannot understand—but the spiritual shall understand and fold into this way.

40 The Lord has many in reserve and many he has touched by his Spirit—even, sending ministering angels that men might be prepared.

41 Let the work continue everywhere.

42 The Lord has brought the message to his servant Tommy Gargus. He shall come into this work and let him be set apart an elder, moreover an evangelist. Let him continue his good works for the Lord has established him. With this authority and trust he will bring many to salvation. The Lord has healed and reserved him.

43 Let David Pack and David Roberts know they are called of God. Great good will come from their faithful works.

44 Let Floyd Tippet and Charles Pittman be added to the elders, and W. A. Pack and Charles Pack to the elders and evangelists when they take up this work. The Lord will fill them with his Spirit and great good will come from humble prayer.

45 Keep peace in the Church and unfold the mysteries as God gives to you. Teach the decrees. Hold the standard high. Do all that you can. Many souls will learn life and obedience through your good works. As I speak to you I speak to all. I will come again. I will direct the work of the Lord.

46 Peace be with you. Amen."

Eighty-fifth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, John the Baptist, the Elias, the forerunner of Christ appeared to me in my room while I was sleeping, August 14, 1967, 2:02 a.m. He awakened me and instructed me to arise. The room was filled with light, and the power of the Spirit of God, the mellowing spirit— truly the quickening spirit of the resurrection. He took me by the hand. I felt him a real being. I heard his voice. I arose and wrote as he spoke. He spoke distinctly and slowly with firmness and waited on me as I wrote. I give the words as he gave them to me. He left at 4:30 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 “Arise and write the message I will give you for the Church and all mankind.

2 I come from the Lord’s presence. I am sent of God to speak his will. I bring a warning, I bring the gospel. I speak the truth. I am a resurrected being, I am the Elias which was for to come. I am the prophet of the Lord. I came down to fulfill the word. But moreover to prepare a people to make ready to be the Lord’s bride when he comes again to dwell on the earth, the millennium reign, ere there cometh to pass a new heaven and a new earth. The old shall roll together like a scroll.

3 Seek to warn and save all you can, all that will repent hastily and faithfully come this way, defending the words I bring, worship and come all the way unto the Lord. Let the Spirit come unto them; those that receive same the Lord will bless.

4 Let mankind come all the way. Those that will hear the small whisper, hear the loud voice, hear the call of God may thrust in their sickle and reap, for the harvest is white— nigh unto gathering.

5 I have spoken prudently[1], and surely. This is the assured way.

6 Let all that come be baptized and the hands laid on them that the Lord by his Spirit may confirm their works.

7 To the faithful, be thou joyous in well doing. Keep the peace, as you have and it will abide in your assemblies, and in your progress adjust to the multitudes that will hear and obey my coming that they may be the Lamb’s bride, made ready when he comes.

8 Many that have been bidden, or that are bidden, will not come. They hear not my voice, nor words I bring of the Lord. They close their minds to God’s plan, setting themselves up to be great. Yet they have not extra oil in their vessels, nor Spirit of God to their ways; but short of understanding—because of manmade doctrines and laws of their own making and traditions. They obey not the call of God.

9 Miracles are for witness and proof of God’s power. Yet it is only God’s flow and power to his own and all that will be his of all nations, color and kind through the gospel of salvation of Christ Jesus, the everlasting and Eternal One.

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[1] Isaiah 52:13

10 Many are watching for this work. Some are waiting for something great to stir the world. Few are workers for the cause, having faith for the hope that is in God's plan.

11 Many are forced to be humble. Many will come low before they obey.

12 Turn away from the secular and claimed peculiar, but be ye a righteous people.

13 The Lord's people are peculiar, but not ridiculous or sordid in fashions and styles—or conspicuous in attractions—not of good works. These will lead astray.

14 The Lord rested in the hands of evil men and they caused to be brought about the plan of God—redemption and the resurrection through the death of the human and the resurrection of himself to an example of life eternal. For all mankind, resurrection, but to many a ransom to all that hear and obey—enduring to the end that they might be saved.

15 He is the Father of our spirits and the Savior of our souls, the Redeemer of mankind that was lost to an eternal hope, and eternal King over all.

16 The words I bring is The Word of the Lord, precept upon precept—here a little and there a little, but with all the plan and will of the Lord.

17 Mankind has been scattered abroad, and the earth, she is defiled, it is empty. And it shall be, as with the people, so with they that teach, until now I come, the priest, as with the servant, so with the master. Those that labor, lend and borrow as though they were one.

18 All alike, all faileth and are empty, because of sin and transgression, changing the ordinances and destroying the teaching of the Lord's covenant, the teaching of my coming and proclaiming of the hour of God's judgment has come, the time of the end, the end time, the Lord's return in like manner as he ascended.

19 The law and the prophets spoke until I come. Now I speak.

20 Some that represent Christ, have talents and will hear this cause and receive it and many-fold will be their reward. Others turn a deaf ear and what they have they will lose and their work will spoil and waste away.

21 There is no reincarnation. Such thoughts are of the evils of man.

22 There was the incarnate of God in the flesh to offer the sacrifice of ending all spilling of blood and the altars of figurations and shadows.

That men might give a broken heart and contrite spirit to serve a living God.

23 Flesh death and sin must come to an end for the quickening of Spirit of God to rule and dwell in mankind in righteousness.

24 When Israel desired a true prophet, one on whom they could rely upon to speak God's will, they remembered Elijah and asked for an alikeness of such. Thus it became their expression a true prophet must come—likeness of Elijah.

25 Therefore the Lord promised a warner of things to come, to speak the truth. Thus in this Elijah saying, 'Elias must first come,' 'Elias for to come' is promised a true prophet—a prophet of the Highest to come and restore all things, the restitution and restoration of all things as it was in the beginning and mankind lives his age in peace and freedom of toil, of pain, of sweat or the fear of death.

26 Let the warning continue everywhere, taking the word to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. Send help to the foreign fields.

27 Let Temple carry on in Germany and help in the work there. The Lord is in the work with Kobs in his efforts.

28 Again, as the children of Israel heard and obeyed the injunctions of the Lord through Moses were delivered, so will the people be delivered today if they will hear the words I bring preparing themselves to follow through. For there is the way of salvation and preservation, the way of deliverance in the fulfilling of the words of the Lord spoken by the holy prophets of old—as they were moved upon by the Holy Spirit of God.

29 I come fulfilling and to do his will. This is the assured way, the Elijah Message. The curse is lifted as belief and obedience comes.

30 This is the midnight cry—the great confusion must fall. Pentecost must come, the outpouring of the Spirit must be even to those that are afar off.

31 I am the Messenger to restore all things. I bring a book of instructions, prophecy and commands to all men, to every branch of the house of Israel.

32 Fear not, let the Spirit fill you to overflowing for it will come to all who make ready. The Lord sets his hand again the second time, to recover his people.

33 I am that servant sent to give meat in due season. Now is the day of choosing—to serve the Lord, or fail to find peace. For all they that do not hear me heareth not God and shall not be found among the people of the Lord.

34 I am the one chosen of the Lord, mighty and strong one. I shall not falter. The work shall be accomplished. The Kingdom shall be prepared and given to the saints of the Most High.

35 Israel shall win and be delivered. Did I not say Assyria shall be beaten and fall, a nation born at once of hope and deliverance?

36 The 2300 days of Daniel's words are being fulfilled in the Lord's Church, the gospel and the rock.

37 'But to this man will I look, saith the Lord, who is humble and of a contrite spirit—I have spoken as of this day.'

38 Let there be added to the bishops—Dohn E. Weaver. The Lord will bless him if he will come boldly to his calling.

39 Let these know the Lord has called them by the Holy Spirit: C. W. Brizendine, George L. Rhodes, James Naslund, Eddie Lee, Charles Isaac Resler and Sam David Houston. The Lord will bless them in this work.

40 Let these be added to the elders: Gordon Charles Shrives, Clifford Ellis Moss, Ronald Clayton Moss, Tracy J. Pittman, Lloyd George Ford and Leonard H. Draves.

41 And when these come into this work, let these be set apart as elders and evangelists: Russell R. Price, J. D. Tippett, James R. Tippett, Roy Bowman, Donald David Pittman, John Daniel Pittman, James Paul Pittman. And let Marle Kilgore and his people know this work is true and from the courts above. Let him know his alms have been accepted of the Lord. Let him come all the way. Set him apart in this holy priesthood as an elder and evangelist.

42 Seek to give more of your time to the church work.

43 This is the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message.

44 Give this message to the Church. Publish it, make it the Church's rule and guide.

45 Greater responsibility will yet be given to others to help you in this work.

46 Let John Leabo know there is much good he can do and bring many to hear this message. Let him defend the words I bring.

47 Let peace be with you; give peace to the brethren and the Church. Amen."

Eighty-sixth Message

The angel, the Messenger of the Lord, appeared to me and gave the following message. He instructed me to arise and write the message. He spoke distinctly and slowly as I wrote: he repeated when necessary to wait upon my correctness of writing.

He had on a white robe, with a purple cord, with gold tassels, around his waist. He brought the light of the resurrection with him. The light filled the room. The Spirit of God was mellowing and powerful that was upon him. I felt it very much.

He is a resurrected person, John the Baptist, the Elias, the forerunner of the Christ soon to come. He spoke of dates and assuredness; his words are forceful with the peace and power of God. He appeared July 31, 1968 at 1:15 a.m. and was with me more that three hours. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! Arise and write a message I will give you. I come from the Lord's presence. I speak his will. His words shall judge all men, color and kind.

2 Make haste. Are you ready? Will the people hear that they might live and have life in the hereafter?

3 This is the closing time, to open to the millennium reign of peace, with Christ on earth ere there cometh a new heaven and a new earth.

4 There have been loses, loved ones have been taken from you. This is the Lord's planning. Your companion also has been taken. Changes come, yet greater service and greater things will come to pass. The Lord has and will give you comfort.

5 I bring a warning and a deliverance. All they that believe and obey the gospel shall find it.

6 Many represent Christ and have faith to do many miracles. This is good, if they hear the final call—this the midnight cry and obey it. Their works will stand the test.

7 If they speak against this work believing not that I come, they have not God—and will not be of the bride, the Lamb's Church in the end.

8 He that believeth not these words nor cometh not to obedience, hath not God.

9 God's plan will not change to suit them that believe not, they must conform to his will.

10 Some are almost persuaded to believe, but they will not follow because of their personal dislike of you, my fellow servant. For this, they lose and their end will be sad.

11 Be ye repentant and humble and your work will be accepted of man and God. As I speak this to you, I speak it to all.

12 Let come what may, and let go what will. You will see them fall on your right hand and on your left, for all that will not hear me—'that prophet' shall be cut off from among the people. I speak the assured way.

13 Every tree[1] the Lord has not planted shall be rooted up. If they hear not this message, the light they claim to have will fade away. This is the midnight cry the scriptures speak of—are you ready?

14 A peaceful solution and condition for the Colored people will be underway by 1980.

15 The great powers, not of God's will, will find their failing and end. This will consummate in 1989.

16 Merchants will weep and howl because their future of craft-making and merchandising to get gain will be wounded and broken.

17 There will be a better way and some will join in the pace for peace to be set up.

18 Warring powers will continue to conspire and a day of decision will come when Armageddon[2] will begin in the nineties (90's) and when it ends—few men left in battle alive. But God will appear to the delivering of the righteous and as Christ places his feet on earth—there shall be a great trembling; terrible and dreadful for the wicked, but great relief and deliverance for the righteous. Then the saints of God shall know the days of trouble are over.

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[1] Message 90:7
[2] II Thessalonians 2:8

19 The binding of Satan[3] will be and a reign of peace shape into place.

20 Unless the servants of the Lord arise and be no more oppressed—arise to their place and calling; cease their error of negligence and hindrances turn away from, their choice and work will come to nothingness. The Lord will call others to work and carry this work onward.

21 Let come what may, let go what will—weary not in well doing.

22 Some are born to be with you in this cause—lest they stay with you defending the words I bring, they destroy their gift. Some are true and will yet be true to their righteous calling—not thinking themselves to be great.

23 Evil has sought to grip the Church and has long had its effect—eating out her soul. When it is removed she will put on her brighter garments and many of her children will come unto her.

24 The great stumbling block put out by the mind of man is to say Jesus Christ is that prophet like unto Moses, when it is I, John the Baptist, the forerunner—the Messenger called the Elias which was for to come.

25 A prophet represents, and Christ is God himself. I represent him.

26 The carnal mind will not see this, the selfish will not see this, nor they that set themselves up. But they that God has set up will see, will come to understanding, obey and follow through in this work.

27 Worry not, the command has long been to see that the work be more firmly established. This, you, my fellow servant have done in the incorporation you have established, that according to the laws of the land the Church does rightly and legally exist.

28 God has set in pace and given the authority and trust; but man through weakness and seeking prominency has hindered the work. Yet they say they love the Lord.

29 Fret not, in time the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message will move forward. Already the Lord has prepared multitudes and those to be with you in greater love, respect to God and my words and support it. It shall bring forth fruit meet for the Father's Kingdom. That eternity with God may have place for the faithful—all those that obey my words shaping their lives by the instructions I bring from the Lord.

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[3] Revelation 20:1-3

30 Let the apostles lead the Church and carry the work on: preaching and teaching the same things, in the way of peace, in Christ Jesus—the gospel of life and salvation.

31 The day comes when all Christianity will flow together, a mighty people in righteousness.

32 By the year 1989 many great powers will unite, will change. The righteous planting will bear much fruit but that which is not in God's will, will fold up and be no more.

33 The sun in her place shall become seven times hot. The water of the oceans will much of it pass to the firmament. Then suddenly, as though at once, the sun in her heat will be hid, to burn no more the face of mankind, beyond the waters. And the earth shall bring forth as it was in the beginning.

34 In the late nineties (90's) contentions shall again grow worse. The great wars will be so bitter—the great worldly confusion—Armageddon shall come in and ere the times of mankind shall be six thousand years the millennium shall break forth. Then all that serve the Christ shall be one people—delightsome in the Lord—if they obey and trust the very eternal God the Father, who is Jesus Christ the Savior and Redeemer of mankind.

35 There will be those that cannot endure sound doctrine—they lift their hands against this work. They set their face as steel to not let the words I bring to have their way with the people. But keep ye this way sacred and the Lord will give you faithful ones to help in this work.

36 Some you have trusted will walk no more with you, but many more will come.

37 Some will return to this work and faithful ones will awaken to this call and bring forth much fruit.

38 There will be great changes in the unsafeness of peoples, homes and travel—dangers will arise. This will tie things up here and navigation will be at a low ebb.

39 Many will seek to run to and fro, still conditions will be hard at times. However, again a change will come and all men will begin to respect one another and work together, bearing one another's burdens and comfort will come to the humble.

40 Distress of nations and perplexity will be felt everywhere. However, none can save but themselves and that through the Lord.

41 Man will say, ‘Oh that these things were hid from me and I knew them not.’ Have you not been warned of the things to come?

42 There will be riots, strikes, outbursts against the government, picketing and much destruction of property and people, confusion and dismay, emptiness and untrust toward many people. Labor shall rise up against the hand that feeds them: unrest everywhere.

43 For a time these conditions will be terrible, then suddenly a change will come, and peace will take hold of all that look to the Lord and a better way.

44 Deliverance will come as the people seek to work together and love one another: even all, lifting the fallen, the downtrodden, the outcast and preserving hope in mankind.

45 Salvation is free to all that will hear and take hold and work this way.

46 There are many the Lord has called that represent his word and are doing a mighty work. But when they hear this message, the words I bring from the Lord, and the Spirit reveals to them it is true, they shall accept it and their calling to higher work. They will be filled to overflowing with power to represent Christ and his Church, the Lamb’s bride: overwhelming with the power and the Spirit and the working of miracles on many of the gifts of the gospel. Hear, Oh hear! Ye ministers of peace and God will give you the soul winning power. Come all the way.

47 Fellowship not with those that twist the word to thwart the plan of God to justify their own evil means.

48 God’s plan is plain and simple converting the soul and a deliverance to those that truly obey.

49 Worry not about those that will not hear my message now, they will know of it if they are to be found in fellowship with the Lord.

50 I come that the restoring of all things shall take place. I am the forerunner of the Christ. I am the Elias, I bring a message of life and hope.”

At this juncture he arose and lifted both his hands and said,

51 “Blessed be the people of the Lord. I bring peace for all.”

(He then lowered his hands.)

52 “There are some that once walked this way are almost persuaded to return. The Lord will bless them when they do.

53 Some try to serve the Lord standing afar off. Some fail to fully dedicate their lives to his service—they seek to serve two masters. Until they meet the Lord face to face and repent of their error they will not fully find peace.

54 I laid my hands upon Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery and ordained them to the holy priesthood after the order of God, after the order of his Son. This has been preserved and reserved to this day and time.

55 Again I laid my hands upon Otto Fetting and gave him special help to do the work in his day. That holy unction is upon the servants today.”

He arose again from the chair near me, while I sat on the foot of my bed writing the message on the table, then he said,

56 “Now again, I lay my hands on you to bless you in your work that you are to do—that lies before you. That you may have the gift enlarged and power to accomplish the work and to bless others with this holy unction renewed, and help in completing the great plan in your day and time. I bless you that you may bless others. Amen.”

He sat down and repeated what he said as I wrote it down. My soul was filled and indeed I felt the gift surge over me and more love and the Spirit mellowed my whole being. He said,

57 “Let those that the Spirit calls be set apart in this work. Send them forth to do the Lord’s will—withal proclaiming the message I bring.

58 Hearken! Hasten! Obey! Be about the Father’s business.

59 There are those that place themselves upon the alter of service for the Lord’s work: teach the decrees and help in this way of life.

60 In the Bible and Record of the Nephites contains the teachings and pattern of the fullness of the gospel in its plain and precious parts. But my words and authority gives the right to set the Church in order—the Church of Christ with the holy priesthood authority and power to act in the establishing the Kingdom of God on earth and bringing in the Zion of the Lord. The Kingdom and the dominion shall be for the saints[4] of the Most High.

61 The honest in heart that hear, that have heard the Spirit in the past will hear this message now and in obedience receive of this authority and add

[4] Revelation 20:4

my words to their teaching and training to become joint heirs in the body of Christ and members of the bride, the Lamb's Church, for when he comes to claim his jewels. Let them come in by the door, the hands laid on them and take the name: the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message.

62 Take the message to the pastors, the leaders, if they believe the scriptures, they will believe my coming and follow through.

63 That which will bring about a quick relief, help and deliverance to the situation of the Colored people will be by their acceptance, belief and obedience to this gospel message. Let them come in by the door—all the way and the Lord will be their Deliverer. They shall be a mighty people, delightsome in his sight. As the Spirit calls, let them come and move onward, God-ward.

64 The isles of the sea will wait for this message. Take to them the gospel of salvation, this way of life. The message I bring is the call from God to service and deliverance in his Church. Canada will work hand in hand with the United States and many of the isles will become states to this Union, a great nation.

65 Kings shall shut their mouths at the words I have to say.

66 Let the article in the Articles of Faith and Practice read 'conferences,' the several yearly meetings of the quorum of twelve in their planning and programming this work and it will be greater in the future even with proper representation.

67 Let not the work be frustrated by the way of man.

68 The book shall be called: The Record of the Nephites.

69 The Assembly is for the people to learn this great work and follow through. The work of the ministry is in the hands of the apostles—lead them aright.

70 Much of the leadership rests with you in defending my words. Keep the holy order holy and right. Let this be done in the way of the Lord.

71 Take this message, send it forth to the world, that all may hear and read and know the Lord has sent me. He has spoken, let it be so.

72 The Church will obey and put on her brighter garments of righteousness.

73 Praise ye the Lord. Let the hands of faith carry on. Zion must come forth.

74 Let the quorum of apostles be filled. Let R. David Temple be set apart as soon as it can be arranged.

75 Let these be added to the apostles: Tommy Gargus, Herman Hylander and Chuck Hubbell. The Lord will bless their efforts and water the seed they sow, and it shall bring forth. Let these prepare as the vacancies occur.

76 Let Conerd E. Crownover take his place among the twelve, the Lord will continue to bless him in his faith and good works. The translations thus has been accepted, let it continue.

77 The translations of the message in German are pleasing to the Lord in this work: let it continue.

78 Let these prepare: Charles Isaac Resler, Tracy Jacques Pittman and Larry E. DeCocq for the apostleship when vacancies occur.

79 Let these come into this work as elders, moreover, evangelists: R. R. Rich and A. W. Bryant. The Lord will bless their work.

80 Let Richard F. Ream and Leo LeVerne Ream as evangelists, labor in California as much as they can. Establish the work there.

81 Let these be set apart as elders: Gerald Lee Savage, James Clinton Savage and John Eldon Savage.

82 Let these in Germany be set apart as elders, moreover evangelists: Emil Burk and Friz Single.

83 Let Martin Huonker be set apart as evangelist. The Lord will bless this mission. Let Bruno Kobs care for the finance in his parts and help will come when the work moves onward.

84 I will come again. Be not worried or dismayed. The message I bring will bring joy to the honest of heart. Many look for my coming and the message I bring. It will mean life and fullness of joy when they obey.

85 I leave peace with you and to all. Amen.”

Eighty-seventh Message

While on a mission in Rottweil, Germany, to attend the first European Assembly of the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message, the light of the Messenger filled my room from 2:10 a.m. to 3:00 a.m., September 20, 1968, at the home of Martin Huonker. This occurred after a week of services and deep prayer to know if God was pleased with the work being done.

Four days later, on September 24th, 1968, the angel appeared at 2:40 a.m. and gave the following message. He wore the white robe as on previous occasions, and spoke with authority, lifting his voice to emphasize many phrases. The light of the resurrection emanated from him, filling the whole room, enabling me to easily see as I wrote. The great mellowing of the Spirit remained even after he left at 4:35 a.m.

I hope and pray that every reader will seek God in deep humility and faith, believing that they may receive the testimony of the coming of the Elias.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! Write the words I will give you.

2 I have come to you at this place in this house, that I might again give assurance that this is the Lord's work, and his will you have obeyed.

3 The Lord has sent you to this land of Germany to bring the greater blessing to the brethren here. All those that help you and labor in this cause will be blessed.

4 There are many honest of heart in this part of God's great vineyard. Many will come forth to unite for God.

5 Let all labor in love; be harsh with no one.

6 As servants labor and learn their needs, qualify to be leaders of Christ. Go to the rich and poor alike. Be not puffed up, be humble, and inasmuch as you will do this, God will be with you to the end. You will enjoy the Spirit and great things will come to pass.

7 You will find those that are wise, whose hearts are filled with the Spirit of God. Be patient with them. This truth will be revealed to them and they will be a part of this work.

8 It is the Lord's will that the servants go forth from this place to other nations in Europe, Asia and Africa as much as they can, as the way opens. The Lord will touch hearts and many souls will be saved. He will water the seed you sow and they shall bring forth.

9 The Lord has used others in great works to prepare the way for the words I bring to find their place in the lives of those in this nation, as well as others: even his servant Lorber.

10 Many here are descendants of the Levites and because of their ancient choosing and vow, they will serve the Lord. But remember the work is sacred, and the priesthood holy, therefore be unspotted from the sins of the world.

11 Unto my fellow servant Huonker, the Lord has long held him in faith and preserved him to this day, with those the Lord gives, who would carry on this work. Indeed the Lord has, and will give help as the way opens. The elders now established and those yet to come will work together to save souls, wherever they go. His children will labor also.

12 Likewise my fellow servant Kobs has been counted faithful. The Lord has heard his prayers, and will bless his efforts. Though there is much to do, his labor is not in vain. God will be with him.

13 The Lord has preserved many to help. Those, now in this work with you, are the Lord's planting. Yea, the time is short for the great work to be done. Be kind to all men and you will win favor with God and man. My mission is one of love.

14 Let the book[1], The Word of the Lord, the words I bring be printed in all languages as fast as it can be done, as the way opens. The word of the Lord must go everywhere. The people must have it that they may read. Swing wide the gate, plant the seed and the harvest will come forth.

15 When the storms and wars do their sweeping as necessary evils in destruction, the people become humble and learn to inquire of the Lord. Let the standard be found among you, in the Church of Christ, with the Elijah Message, the words I bring, the gospel of hope and salvation, the words of life, deliverance for mankind.

16 Some are slow to obedience, yet not active in their calling—the Lord will give you others to help.

17 In times to come there will be changes in conditions in governments and ways will be opened and some closed, but let the message be sent, or proclaimed wherever it can be done, in all languages, tongues and peoples.

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[1] Revelation 10:8

18 Yea, the faithful shall mount up as eagles in understanding and knowledge of God's planning.

19 Let all peoples, color and kind, work together in love to bring the consummation of all things to pass. I bring the restitution and restoration of all things. I bring the priesthood authority. I have planted the Church in pace. I have called servants to labor and the Lord of the vineyard will labor also that the work will be accomplished.

20 I am the Elias which was for to come, I am John the Baptist. I bring the Elijah Message. I am the forerunner of Christ. I bring peace. I establish love, I bring hope for mankind that all men might believe in the light of Christ. I bear witness of that light. I bring together the works of God's plantings and bring together in one fold those that serve the Lord—God's people speaking oft one to another. Then turn and discern them that serve him, and those that serve him not. They that serve him shall have right to the tree of life.

21 Be at peace. I leave a blessing in this place upon all that hear my words. I will continue to come until the work is finished.

22 The Lord has spoken. He has sent me to speak and his words shall not return to him void.

23 Let those that come to the Church be baptized in water, and the laying on of hands for the gift and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

24 Let repentance and faith be taught and remission of sin through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ.

25 The work may go slow now, but young and old will be awakened—as there comes the greater understanding and light will take place. Praise ye the Lord in his wonder working power and plan.

26 Some called to be in the quorum of apostles will not accept or prepare—therefore as openings come, let Phillip M. Dixon and Martin Huonker take their place in the quorum.

27 Let Ernst Huonker and Rolf Dieter Burk be set apart as elders. The Lord will bless and make his servants a blessing.

28 Give these words to the brethren and the Church, publish them. Place them in the book with the rest.

29 Be up and doing, write the decrees and the teachings the Lord has given you that the people may know and the work move faster.

30 I leave peace with you and in this house. I will come again. Amen."

Eighty-eighth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the Elias, the angel of God appeared before me in my home, 1500 West Lexington Avenue, Independence, Missouri U.S.A. and gave the following message; awakened me and bid me arise and write the words he would give. The room was full of the resurrection light. The Spirit of God was powerful and mellowing to my soul. He spoke plainly and distinctly, waiting upon me as I wrote. I know these words to be exactly as he spoke them.

I would that each person reading these words would seek the Lord for testimony and witness to their truthfulness and need in their lives. He appeared at 1:15 a.m. November 17, 1968. He remained till 3:30 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Awaken! arise and write the words I will give you, a message of hope and peace to all that accept them and follow through. Deliverance is found only in the teachings of Christ through his atoning blood for remission of sins.

2 Behold, I come to fulfill the words spoken by the prophets of old and by the Christ. I am the prophet of the Highest. I speak his will. I represent the Lord. I am his servant; all ye that follow are my fellow servants. Many are called, those that prepare are chosen. Be ye faithful. Others will come as you keep sacred the work and true to the plan and workings of God.

3 Praise the Lord in worship, lift up and rejoice. Bask in his life given light. I bear witness of that light. The earth is lightened by the words I bring. I come to moderate the will of God. I proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. Only through his atoning blood can mankind be saved.

4 There are many that seek earnestly to represent the Lord, they do well. Let them hear my message, moreover, the word of the Lord that I bring from his presence. Let them come in by the door, receive of this calling, and labor as the Spirit will direct, shaping their lives by the words I bring that their works may stand the test.

5 Woe to those that set their hearts against the injunctions I bring from the Lord.

6 As the Spirit calls, the Lord speaks, as the need grows, let there be added to the fields of labor all that can hastily prepare to go in the work of the Lord.

7 There is work at home, there is a call and need everywhere—let it be filled.

8 Let all things be done in order—and comely. If the Spirit mellows and calmeth the soul, it is of God. Serve the Lord in praise, in joy and peace. Pray earnestly and the Master of men will manifest his power.

9 The Lord has heard the prayers of the faithful and has sent me again to speak his will.

10 I come to you my fellow servant for I bring to you and to those that labor with you, and all that will yet come, for there are many that look for my coming and the fulfilling of the prophecies of old, the words and will of God.

11 I come from the Lord's presence, I come to do his will. I am his forerunner. I am that servant of the Lord. I am the Elias, yea the prophet of the Highest. I am 'that' prophet. I am the elect one. I speak prudently[1]. My voice is not heard in the street. I shall not lift up, but will give power and the words to be spoken that mankind shall be lifted up, all those that obey.

12 Fear not man whose heart is not filled with humility and truth. He is wretched of a reprobate mind and evil, fighting against my coming and plan of God. All such know not the meaning of the scriptures. They wrest the word and say the Lord hasten or delayeth his coming. However, the Lord shall come as his plan folds into being and action and the necessary evils try the people, testing their faith, to determine if they be the Lord's chosen, tried and faithful, or will fall with the evil one. Yet they say they love the Lord.

13 When the wicked are fully ripe in their iniquity, sudden destruction will come upon them. All their great speaking will come to naught. Watch therefore, and be careful in thought, in doctrine, for in truth the faithful shall endure, they shall stand. They that err in doctrine and do not respect my words, shall go down.

14 Mankind was commanded to subdue the earth, much of it has been done, though there be nothing new under the sun. The sun shall be hid when the finish of all things new cometh.

15 Mankind shall live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God, the very eternal Christ the Lord and Maker of all. He cometh down with power in his word.

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[1] Isaiah 52:13

16 Then turn and discern them that be the Lord's, or them that serve him not. They that serve him shall have right to the tree of life.

17 I speak the Lord's will today. I am he that was prophesied in ancient times, of my coming before the Lord's return, to help prepare a people to be ready to meet him at his appearing.

18 I am he that the prophet Daniel spoke of as the Ancient of days[2]. I am the proclaimer, the warner. I am he that the people of the Lord delighteth in my coming and the words I bring, the Messenger of the Covenant. I sit as a refiner and purifier of mankind[3], of the ministry of God, cleansing out the traditions of men and the power of the adversary.

19 The wise shall build their house upon the Rock, which is Christ the Lord; with firm faith and understanding, in the knowledge of the word, of obedience, shaping their lives by the words I bring.

20 I bring the assured way, the way of the Lord, to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, by my words cleansing out the dross, the sins of men, moreover, false doctrines and traditions of men.

21 See those that turn a deaf ear and will not hear—will not learn sound doctrine. Be patient and kind to all men. Many will yet learn to heed and obey the injunctions I bring and build upon the solid Rock of truth.

22 The law and the prophets spoke until I come. Now all mankind, all churches, all creeds and factions must hear my words and know what I have spoken and will yet speak.

23 Without me and the words of the Lord I bring, they build upon the sand where the storms of life and the doctrines of men will sweep them away and their works come to naught.

24 All that hear and obey my words shall come to understanding.

25 Be glad and rejoice ye wise men, ye that claim to be leaders, obey and your works will come higher in greatness if you heed what I have to say.

26 Little flock be not discouraged, for greater things are yet to come for you in your hope and salvation. Redemption draweth nigh. There is hope for eternity with God in what I have to bring you and in what I say.

27 He that is for you is greater that they that be against you.

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[2] Daniel 7:9, 13, 22
[3] Malachi 3:1-3

28 Blessed and holy are they that come into this way. They shall find the greater peace and God's plan shall be made perfect.

29 All that be the Christ's, they that are called Christians will flow together. They that be of man and his traditions will fail.

30 Let the young and the old come—let all come into this way; truly be born of the water and the Spirit—ridding yourselves of the traditions of men, make clean the slate.

31 Some that have been touched by the Spirit, that have felt its quaking power, shaking their very beings, let them come through the door to a higher plane, and hands be laid upon them for the greater gifts and obedient will of God. Suffer it to be so to fulfill the way of authority and holy priesthood and the work of the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message; for this is my command and mission to establish God's Church and Zion—with authority to bring about the restoration and restitution of all things.

32 They that be in this way are the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message. Great is her mission. The multitudes shall come into one fold—all that truly fear and obey the Lord. They shall be one sheep in the Lord's fold and he shall be their Shepherd. They shall become like him of heavenly and holy nature, redeemed from the fall to an eternal glory with him. The reign of peace shall fold in.

33 But Woe, Woe unto the rejecter—their days are numbered. The power and ways of Satan and of man's idols, and ideals shall fail and come to nothingness.

34 The Word of the Lord is line upon line, precept upon precept, here a little and there a little in time and purpose of his will, pleasant to the righteous.

35 Satan's powers shall be bound and he shall have no more temptation on mankind until the reign of peace, the millennium, shall be over.

36 Satan knows his time is short and he will work to destroy all that he can. He will work to hinder and deceive and lay stumbling blocks for mankind to fall over. He will puff up in pride and he will discourage in hope, and hinder the faith of many if you do not watch and pray. Have faith in the words of the prophets and the Lord and what I bring and he will not have power over you.

37 Therefore come against him, break his yoke by true belief and study the word—obey the Lord's Spirit and make ready.

38 There will come trials, but they cannot destroy. Yea, read these words and follow through, find worship and deliverance.

39 Let Daniel Aaron Rogers continue in the Lord's work with this authority and trust placed upon him as an elder, moreover an evangelist, and his works shall be mightier and great power and blessings will be given him. The Lord will bless him, even in the far reaching he shall bring many to salvation and truth with God's gift.

40 Let Donald Eugene Harsch take up his calling as an elder, moreover let him be set apart as an evangelist. The Lord will be with him in his faith and he shall accomplish much good.

41 There are many that are called of the Lord by his Spirit to labor. Let them know it is the Lord's will; these add to the evangelists.

42 Let Peter Harry LaFrance know the Lord has preserved him to this day when my message comes forth. His calling is to proclaim the full truth, as an evangelist.

43 Let Warren London know his prayers and faith has brought him great blessings as an evangelist and pastor of the household of faith in his area. His efforts are not in vain. He shall carry on.

44 When David Terrell comes into this work, let him take up this calling and authority as an evangelist to labor in the field with this message and authority, his works will endure the test in the Lord's plan. The Lord has preserved him and reserved him to be a part of this, his deliverance plan.

45 Likewise others the Spirit has called, let them know this work is true and of the Lord. Some have been baptized, others will yet come. The Spirit will reveal to them of their calling.

46 Let these know the Lord calls for them to labor in this cause and great peace will come over them to direct their lives and service to God as elders in this holy priesthood: Lloyd Polson, George Arthur Polson, Fred Eldridge, Kenneth Eugene Palmer, Junior N. Pierce, Milton Fife, George Henderson, Rinehold Hermann, Herman Thraen, Fred Erickson, Ralph Polson, Lee Ellis Polson, Henry Allen Semler, Darry Immanuel Miller, Dallas Miller, Paul Johnson, Clifford Hitchcock, Joseph H. Truitt, W. H. Thorpe, Robert Daniels, Morris Miller and R. E. Werner.

47 Every elder's duty is missionary when and where opportunity permits—be valiant in service, quick to respond, instant in season and out of season—at all times.

48 I will come again as the Lord will direct. I leave peace with you. Publish this with the rest. Amen."

Eighty-ninth Message

The angel of the Lord, the Messenger, the resurrected John the Baptist, clothed with the light and power of God appeared in my room, 5053 Belmeade, Kansas City, Missouri 64129 and awakened me on July 18, 1969 at 1:10 a.m. The light that accompanied him filled the whole house. I could see to write the message he gave to me. He is the same personage that has appeared to me on numerous occasions giving the messages, the Word of the Lord—the book of His words for all mankind. I would that if any doubt his coming pray for light, for God will reveal. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise. Behold! Take the message I will give you at this time.

2 The prayers of the faithful has come up before the Lord. He has heard and he answers by a greater infilling of his Spirit. By the Spirit many hearts are made glad.

3 Yet, behold, this is a day of a greater awakening—and to the wise a warning, to the sleeper something to stir him. I have spoken, I have been sent of the Lord. I speak his will.

4 The Lord has seen your gatherings and your Assembly. He will continue to be with you.

5 Read and study the words I bring. Shape your lives by what I bring, for this is the assured way.

6 I bring life and a light of the Lord to all that will hear the instructions I bring. The day comes when I will appear to all the faithful. I will be with the Christ when he comes. I am the one crying in the wilderness. I am a resurrected being. I am the Elias which was for to come. I am the servant of the Lord. I am the Messenger sent from God. I am his forerunner. I am

sent that the curse[4] might be lifted. I am sent of the Lord. Yea, I come from his presence.

7 Nations shall know I have been sent of God. I am the prophet of the Highest. I am John the Baptist.

8 Hear, all ye ends of the earth. Hear, O nations of mankind—God has spoken.

9 The Lord has those in his deliverance plan in every clime, nation and people—in every land under the sun. He would that all would quickly receive this authority and trust of the holy priesthood of God, after the order of his holy Jesus. Receive the baptism that I bring, the plan of God. Let the hands be laid upon them that their works may stand the test. Suffer it to be so to fulfill the full plan of God in the authority I bring.

10 Let the quorums counsel together. Let those the Lord gives to be leaders be recognized in God's will: let all be considered.

11 The Lord will send many to you for this authority—many are now waiting to receive. He will humble the high and mighty for the Lord only is great.

12 Let George A. Rogers, Adel Rodewald, George Wilkin, Don Mace and Herman Stalvey know the Lord called them to accept this authority and trust as elders, moreover evangelists in this work. Their work will be far and wide. Let them be up and doing—yea, the Lord knows their work. Deliverance will come to many through this way. Let them continue.

13 Let Sam Todd know he has long been a vessel of God—he is part of God's deliverance plan. The Lord brings him that he might receive this authority and trust and proclaim it to the ends of the earth. For this work has he been preserved and reserved to come higher in the Lord's plan. There are many the Lord has reserved to defend the words I bring from his will.

14 Let all take new courage, new faith. Let the Spirit lift you. Fear not to lift your hands to the Lord.

15 'Behold! saith the Lord, I will rule and overrule. Fear not, little flock for great things shall come. Much will come to pass. Many will be healed in my name. Many will be added to your numbers. Many are ready to unite with my Church—my bride to be when I come—yea, even my

[4] Malachi 4:6

Church that I have established by sending the Elias. Hear me this day. My cup runneth over, saith the Master of men.'

16 Let all be in the field that can go. Let support come. Bring in the means that others may go, even from the churches that shall be set up; and let them be dedicated everywhere in the name: The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message, even the words I bring. I am the Elias.

17 Many that are afar off will yet come to you to learn this way.

18 Let the tent preachings continue. Let the revivals move onwards in this awakening. I bless the people. I bring a blessing to all that hear my voice. I am sent of the Lord. I will come again. Amen."

Ninetieth Message

I was awakened at 2:15 a.m., July 10, 1970 and heard the front door latch click—thus I knew the door was opening. I heard the screen door close. I hear the main door close. I wondered who may be entering at this hour. It is not unusual for any of the family to be coming late because of the work hours. So I was not frightened, but in seconds I felt the great power of God and recognized the light. Because of being able to see the clock and all around me—the light of the resurrected one, the Messenger was present.

I heard his footsteps crossing the front room and coming down the hall to my bedroom. I watched for him to appear. In radiant light there he approached the open door facing me with his right hand held up near level with his chin, slightly reaching out, hand open, palm facing me tilted directly at me.

By this I know I have done well to defend his coming to me. I felt a great assurance it was well with my soul. I spoke the words, "from my precious Jesus." All this happened in less time than it takes to tell it. Glory to my Jesus—Don't muzzle the ox that treadeth out the grain.

With a stern, loud, yet pleasant voice he said, "Behold!" Immediately, I was carried away in a vision, though I knew the room ceiling was above me it was as though it were not there. I looked beyond and far, far in the heavens, I saw a Great White Throne and on it sat our Lord the Christ Jesus.

All around this throne were multitudes of people, glittering in brightness as if they were clothed in bright white raiment, their voices were ringing out—Holy, Holy, Holy is our Lord, Hosanna to His name! I saw much and heard many praises and songs of joy; a sound of music and singing, and felt a peace that permeated my whole being.

I thought, all this, concourses of angels or saints that once were on the earth. Then I appeared to be real close to them in vision, and wondered if they knew I was looking in upon them. I thought I knew men, like Adam, Noah, Abraham, Joseph, Moses and many, many others. All the righteous that was before the Christ came through the resurrection. Those that before had lived in the Lord's will, their sojourn here on earth and were counted righteous for their faith and good works. Redemption, deliverance and salvation was theirs to have to eternity with God.

Again I proclaimed, "Precious Jesus," I heard my voice, and the vision closed. Many more things I saw and heard which I have not written here.

I know my Lord lives and on the earth again shall stand with many saints with him. I want to be worthy. I understood that all righteous before Christ's resurrection were resurrected at that same time.

I want all who read these words, the angel message to prepare for that eternal way and day with our God. Deliverance has come.

I do not know how long the vision lasted but it must have been some time compared to the things I saw and heard. A great serene feeling of joyous ecstasy was all over me. I thank God for this wonderful way of life.

The Messenger was still standing there just inside my bedroom door. His hands pleasingly at his sides he stepped closer to me and began to speak on. He said: -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and write the words I will give you. Do with these as you have done with the others—publish them in the book, the Word of the Lord, and send to the ends of the earth.

2 Arrange so you may do more in this work, as the way opens. The Lord will direct and it will be well with you and others that hasten to follow.

3 I come to you with a message from the presence of the Lord. To the believing and faithful peace and joy: they delight in my coming.

4 Press on, greater trials await the nations, the people and the Church. Let nothing destroy your faith and good works. Deliverance has come—reach out. The way is prepared for greater outpouring of the Spirit and mighty things will be revealed, but only to the humble.

5 The Lord will water the seed you have sown. Many more shall yet come. Much more shall yet come to pass of miracles and healings and a better way in the lives of many.

6 Fret not over what men may say of you. You have those to stand by you and this work. Respect ye one another and lift each other by being faithful to this work of redemption, the plan of God.

7 Every tree[1], the churches, the Lord has not planted shall be rooted up. There are many false claims and proclaims that is of the evil one to get gain and make merchandise of the word of God. When man is not humble and his soul is not calm, know ye this, it is not of the Lord.

8 Some you think to be your friends is laboring for Satan, seeking to destroy your good and this work.

9 Those that will work together, stay together in faith and good works.

10 Those that will not come to understanding of my teachings, what I have to say to all ministry—unless they hear and follow through, their works will not stand and in the end they will not be there.

11 Behold, it was said by the Christ, that I come not eating nor drinking and men say I have a devil—but it is they wherein is the devil. Fear them not, be calm, for I come, and I speak the truth.

12 In ancient times, it has been told of my coming in this day and time: the end time, the closing time, the midnight cry, the time of purifying the ministry, leading all Christendom into one fold, wherein is one Shepherd, the Christ Jesus who shall rule all nations and peace shall be from one end to the other of this world.

13 There are those that stumble over the words of truth and claim to love the Lord Jesus. However, if they knew him, they would be meek and lowly of heart—full of peace. Let them be delivered from the adversary and learn the full truth, more perfectly, the fullness of the gospel of Christ. There is no other way mankind can be saved. Hold to that I have given, build upon the instructions and directions I have given of the Lord. Shape your lives by the words I bring, for I come from the Lord's presence and my mission is one of love and deliverance. For the way is prepared that mankind may walk therein and be saved.

14 From another language and tongue the Lord has spoken to this people through the book—The Record of the Nephites—the language of the Nephites and Jaredites; which to hear in their language would appear as stammering lips—but what the Lord doeth he doeth well.

15 Yet there are those that imagine a vain thing, making evil thoughts against my words, and the Lord's plan.

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[1] Message 86:13; Matt. 15:13; III Nephi 27:10-11

16 All that are heady and highminded seeking prominency, shall be brought low. Some will learn and yet know this work is true, though they fail.

17 When the rivers of the seas flow towards the heavens, then many that believe not, shall say, 'The Lord he is great, he doeth all things well. Surely, these things are true and he has spoken.' Some will believe, but Woe to the slow to hear.

18 As it was in the days of Noah, the doubter, the disobedient, the sinner were all taken away in their unbelief.

19 Does not the revelation say that I come with the everlasting gospel, to preach to them that dwell upon the earth? Who is man that claimeth to have more than this?

20 When men work in subtle manner he destroyeth himself. Seek to deliver and save all that will come this way.

21 Let all labor that can. Send others into the field of service.

22 Let the Church stand firm that the residue of troubles will not harm you.

23 There will be many troubles and trials within and without the homes, the nations and the Church, until you will rejoice to stand together. Let peace rule your lives—watch what you say and do, and where you are.

24 Let the Assembly of the people be in peace. Let the conferences of the apostles and bishops continue throughout the year and always to come closer to each other and the Lord's will.

25 Pray the Lord of the vineyard to send forth men of renown and faith to work in this way. Let the women help all they can—there is much to be done.

26 I leave peace with you and I shall come again, when the Lord directs. Amen."

The Messenger left, it was 5:50 a.m.

Ninety-first Message

I retired a little after midnight, shortly after I had been in bed, the Messenger of the Lord, the Elias, appeared and gave the following message: he spoke slowly as I wrote what he said, July 15, 1972. He was with me about two hours. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! Arise and write the message I will give to you. I come from the Lord's presence, moreover, the Christ who is Lord and God.

2 I am your fellow servant and my name is John. I am resurrected—I was resurrected when Christ arose from the tomb. I am the Elias, the Messenger of the Lord. I am his forerunner. I have come in the past. I have spoken his will and I shall come in the future. I come at his appointing. My message is one of love to those that heed and obey it.

3 My mission is, that the Church may be fully prepared at the Lord's coming. I come to prepare a people, the Lord's bride. Yea, let all hear what the Lord has commanded me to say.

4 I have brought the authority of the holy priesthood and reiterated and affirmed it. Will you keep it sacred, that the work of God may be accomplished and salvation comes to the humble, those that are full of love and obey the will of the Lord?

5 Fear not, for this is the Lord's work. I have come to you. I have called other servants to help in this work, though they be few—yet a great work can be done. For the Lord of the vineyard shall labor also, that the work might be done, for it must go on in haste.

6 My warning message is: Let all men everywhere come repentant before the Lord, cry mightily unto him, that they might find deliverance. Except they repent they cannot be redeemed from that awful state. For the way of redemption is prepared that whosover will may walk therein and be saved.

7 God worketh not in subtle manners; nor in evil ways, nor in delusions, such as Satan and man doeth.

8 I am that prophet of which Moses spoke of saying, the Lord your God shall raise up a prophet, him shall you hear in all things, speaking the will and the way of the Lord God.

9 I am not Elijah the former prophet neither was he me. He was a prophet in his day with the power of God upon him. He proved God to be real. Likewise, I shall have the same power upon me and my work and in the

words I speak. I speak with the same power, therefore the reason to say, 'In the spirit and power of Elias, or Elijah.' It meaneth that of God, not of man.

10 I was a prophet in my days on earth. I am not another person, nor any other person is me. Each person is a child of themself. It is given once for mankind in this life of probation—once to die. In the resurrections all mankind shall be resurrected.

11 I am now a resurrected being in and with the redeemed of the Lord. I am body and flesh and bone. I bear the Spirit of the Lord. I speak his words. It is the Christ's words that shall judge all men—therefore he cannot use man filled with selfishness of his own way. Therefore come out of the ways of sin and self.

12 The ways of sin grows worse and worse. Children will disobey their parents. Parents have and will disown their children and turn aside in sin and evil doings. Gossip and deceit are everywhere—thus destroying confidence in one another. Sin speaketh sin to cover their evil deeds.

13 Be thou clean that bear the vessels of the Lord. Let your conversation be clean. Let realness of charity rule your lives. Lift up a standard.

14 Man's sins will find him out and be his sorrow. How great a grief they bring.

15 This is the day of the Lord's preparation. Let all mankind prepare to meet their God.

16 Woe be to those that claim they are elected for special callings—when it is the duty of man to be as humble servants not seeking to be great.

17 They that are of God and are humble, seeking the Spirit and find it in righteous acts, showing charity beyond measure, will have the greater power and their works will stand the test.

18 See those that think themselves to be great, seeking prominency, moreover seeking the praise of mankind. Their works do show their nothingness and will not endure the sword of truth and justice.

19 In the past, some have been ordained to the priesthood who have not qualified to work in God's will in this way nor attained to the Holy Spirit. Evils and their planning and plotting, yea, their sins will be seen in their failures.

20 See those who would be vessels of honor but because of pride, and seeking praise and high positions, have walked away from this humble

work of God—or would not come to it. Therefore their call of God they heed not but destroy and deny it by their actions. Save what and all you can, but cast not your pearls before swine.

21 Moreover, the Lord is grieved because many that have been called are doing nothing—waiting for a great day to come to shake them loose—when this is a great message and great day. What have you done now? Where are those that would qualify to be leaders and be up and doing?

22 Fear not man nor the whisperings of Satan, he will deceive, if it were possible the very elect. But the elect shall not be moved. Moreover, they will do all they can in love, humility and the spirit of peace in good works. Joy be to the hearts and souls of the faithful—those that be calm and built upon the Rock, the Word; they will yet bring forth.

23 Why doth man feel himself to be great? Come in this way, suffer it to be so—receive this authority and God will multiply your good works.

24 If it be of God and by the Spirit speaketh knowledge it will calm the soul. When man speaketh in an unknown tongue, he that speaketh shall know what he saith—else he speaketh in vain. The vain sputtering and babbling of the lips of man is from the mind of man or Satan and seeketh to deceive. It is the spirit of divination though it acteth in pretension for truth, it is deception. Where has it led them? Has it brought them to this work? Yea, to only be slower to hear the truth when it comes.

25 Take the bitterness out of the heart and be firm, even all, and God will yet use some to speak the word in power in other languages that are real to the people where they need it.

26 Go forth, swing wide the gates, step forward and the way will divide. Though I call the unlearned and the learned, let all learn this way. Some will repent, others will blaspheme in action, word or deed. Be not dismayed, take courage others will come all the way.

27 They that are filled with bitterness and contempt, charity hath no hold on them.

28 Let the tithes come in, that the churches may stay alive and build themselves up for great is the call to be ready when men look for standards and find it not elsewhere. Let it be found in the Church of Christ with the words I bring that God’s plan may be understood.

29 Love not mammon, nor the ways of the world. Let your moneys serve instead of master. Seek God and his righteousness and much will be added unto you.

30 Let the work continue far and near and in all parts of the earth.

31 There are necessary trials that have come to all that they might learn patience and the love of God for charity knoweth nor doeth no evil.

32 I bring a message of love, of hope of salvation and deliverance. I come from the Lord's presence. I speak the truth. Men shall be judged and stand before the pleasing bar of God.

33 There are ways that seemeth right to mankind but the end thereof separates them from God. They walk in selfishness and not in good will towards all men. Be at peace with all men as much as it lays in your power.

34 The conditions of the world will grow worse and worse until you will think there is no peace anywhere—save in the hearts of the faithful.

35 My work is to bring all Christendom together into one fold, to one Shepherd and plan of eternity with God. Let my message go to the pastors and them that lead and all that seek truth.

36 Let David Temple continue his good works; send him more help in materials and finance. He has planted the seed—let it continue.

37 Let Herbert H. Fillmore know this work is true. The Lord has brought him to know this way and if he will hear the call to higher service with God for mankind, he will bring many to the truth. They shall find deliverance in the words and authority I bring. Let him come into this work and be set apart as an elder, moreover an evangelist. Let him labor among the many that know him, for the Lord has preserved and reserved him to carry on to this day. Great rejoicing will be his.

38 Let Charles W. Burpo know the Lord has established him. Trials have brought him to grieve much, but God will deliver him. He has preserved and reserved him to carry this work to the heads of the nations and to this nation where the foundation of Zion shall be. Let God be just—man of himself will fail, but in the Lord he is a mighty power. What the Lord doeth, he doeth well. 'I will be with him, saith the Lord and he shall be a servant in my hands to speak justice and truth and this way of deliverance. Let him come into this work and be set apart an apostle.'

39 There are those that have been called to fill the places of vacancy; let them arise and move in the will of the Lord.

40 Let Warren R. Foskett prepare as an evangelist to work among the Spanish, as the way opens and he can arrange his home plans.

41 Let the Assembly be conducted in peace and teaching the word. Let all learn this way more perfectly that they may give a reason for the hope in them in defending the words I bring.

42 Let the work among the Indians and Colored be of greater interest and bring them to this way in humility, in peace and in the Spirit that calms the soul and brings deliverance. Let them likewise carry the message to their own color and kind.

43 Let Eddie Lee prepare for greater evangelical work that he may go among his people, even to foreign fields and bring them into this way. Deliverance will come to them and they will find the way of truth and life. Awaken the honest in heart that they will be ready when the Lord comes to claim his jewels. Many shall be among them at that day. Take to them the gospel of life, hasten as the way opens.

44 Let Omel Harold R. Bogan know the Lord has seen his faith, humility and efforts to defend this work. He shall have greater peace and power. Let him labor as an evangelist, the Lord will establish him.

45 Let LeRoy Gripe know the Lord has seen his desire and will fill him and open the way for a greater work. Let him labor as an evangelist.

46 Let Mike J. Bogan come into this work for the Lord has given his good works to bring others into this way and bring deliverance to many—for this is the hope of eternity with God.

47 Let Daniel A. Rogers be restored to an evangelist and if he will be humble and turn away from that which causes contention, that is not prompted of the Lord, he will be a great blessing to many.

48 It is the Lord's will that L. M. Thornton take his place as he has done. The greater gifts shall come to him in his faith and good works.

49 The greater gifts and power are on you if you will but qualify and strengthen your faith in actions. I place peace upon you and leave a blessing for all who read these words. Amen."

Ninety-second Message

The angel Messenger of the Lord came to me at 4:45 a.m., July 4, 1973 in my home at Independence, Missouri, and gave the following message. The room was filled with light. He spoke calmly and slowly as I wrote the words he gave. He left at five o'clock. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come to you at this time. Arise and write the words I shall give you. I am John the Baptist, a resurrected being. I am the Elias. My mission is one of love and peace. The powers of the adversary cannot hinder my work.

2 I come from the Lord's presence. Look to the Lord, this is his work. I bring a message from his voice and his will.

3 The Lord's people have seen trials and afflictions but let all arise to a closer walk with the Lord. Come away from contentions and bring love and obedience in your lives. Continue in good works. The Lord has heard the prayers that are of the heart, and this Assembly. And I bring peace and an answer to the problems when it becometh a need.

4 There is none that have done right in all things, they have fallen short.

5 Where is that great love and the Spirit that mellows the heart, is it still among you? I say unto you, yea, let it do greater work. Qualify to be leaders of men. Do good to all mankind. Love always, hate and bitterness is not your mission.

6 He that loveth the brethren, loveth God also. The Lord will uphold him and make him a blessing.

7 Follow the pattern. Let all that come this way be baptized into one Spirit. Teach and preach the same things in the way I have given you and it will be well.

8 The Church of Christ will never again be destroyed but will move on her mission until Zion is established and the people redeemed from their sins—and the Lord come. The Kingdom and the dominion shall be for the saints of the Most High.

9 A deception has gone out among the people and churches of mankind with doctrines of men with a cry to speak in tongues of unknown words. Such has no meaning but to harden the hearts of those that do so—

making the authority I bring of none effect and will not be a part of them, neither will they receive or obtain it.

10 There is no greater authority or gift, or gifts given to man than that which I bring of the Lord God, after the order of his Son.

11 Who is mankind to claim more than this? He that will not recognize the authority and power I bring, faileth, and his works will not stand the test in the end. Let this evil not be among you for it will not calm the soul nor will it save you.

12 There cometh a day when a true gift will be given. With great wisdom will it work a work and convince, moreover convict, but as yet is not among you in measures of saving grace.

13 Turn away from those things that divide and separate you one from another. The Lord knoweth the hearts and wherein powers of man and deception lies. Except such repent and cleanse their minds of these things they have no part of this work.

14 I have brought and bring a message for mankind—that he may heed and conform to it; that he might be a part of the Lamb's bride when he comes to make up his jewels. I speak to fulfill the word of God, to bring all the faithful in Christendom together to one fold, one Shepherd, one Spirit of God, one baptism with power for remission of sins and traditions of man that can not save.

15 The Lord will call many into this way.

16 Be firm, fret not, hold the peace and your reward will be sure.

17 In time the quorum of twelve apostles will be filled; there are those in the Lord's reserve. Some will fail, others will take their calling when the Lord speaks.

18 Peace I leave with you and the Church. Lift your faith—the way of the Lord is sure. I will come again. Amen."

Ninety-third Message

The Messenger, John the Baptist came to me at my home in Independence, Missouri, U.S.A., July 23, 1974 at 3:45 a.m. and gave the following message. He spoke slowly and distinctly as I wrote the words as he spoke. I determined by his expression, where and how to paragraph and punctuate. He left at 4:50 a.m.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come to you with a message of peace, life, and warning—to all that hear and obey. To all those that humble themselves to hear the whispering of the Lord's Spirit: all such delight in my coming.

2 Those that hear not will be sad. In the end many will wish they had heeded the warning.

3 The midnight cry is on. Hear, O ye ends of the earth. Come, the Spirit says, Come. The Lord and the word saith, Come all the way and deliverance will be yours. You will stand in holy places and inherit in the will of the Lord. The Kingdom and dominion shall be the inheritance of the humble and righteous.

4 Be not disturbed by false claims of my coming to any other. I come from the presence of the Lord at his appointing and I come to you. It is your work to give the message to the people, the honest in heart will hear.

5 The Lord has heard the prayers in behalf of his people and this Assembly. He has blessed and spoken by the spirit of revelation; revealing much.

6 Be harsh with no one. Be not moved by confusion nor emotion, if it doth not calm the soul.

7 The Lord has caused the Colored, the Indian and all may come together and worship and find the gift of sweet peace and the way the still small voice may speak to mankind, making him into an heavenly nature—after the will of God.

8 Let the messages be printed and published in German at this time. The Lord has brought his servant Huonker here at this Assembly and at this time that the book, The Word of the Lord, may speedily be prepared to take to his people in his homeland. There are many honest of God's people there.

9 Great changes in the conditions of the world have been—therefore preach the gospel of peace and deliverance that souls may be saved from the destruction and death that will come.

10 For the wicked will be destroyed, moreover shall burn as stubble and the time cometh they shall be no more. For the reign of peace will come in and deliverance be the portion and greater to the righteous.

11 Let the work continue in the Lord's way. Man cannot have his way, unless it be the way of the Lord.

12 Keep peace in the Church as you have done and your brethren will love and support you. Do the Lord's bidding.

13 Some have been called home and there are vacancies that shall be filled. I leave peace with you and I will come again. Amen."

After the Messenger had come this morning and given part of the message, saying he would come again—I was very much overcome by the power of God. I left my home and to go to my regular work. I had felt like weeping and to be by myself.

While at work, sitting at my desk weeping and praying, I felt the Spirit of God very strong upon me. It was 9:30 a.m. The Messenger tapped me firmly on the shoulder, and spoke these words:

14 "I will come to you again after you have regained your strength that I might continue the message."

He returned at 2:20 p.m. and gave the following:

15 "Let the translation in Portuguese continue. The Lord accepts this work by his handmaiden Idalina Temple. Let the book be published with the cover title, The Word of the Lord, Brought to Mankind by an Angel; likewise in other languages. This work is important and must move swiftly forward.

16 Teach the ministry and all to preach and teach the same thing. The Lord will direct.

17 As the way opens, send two men to the African people. The Lord will prove those ready to go.

18 As the way opens, let R. David Temple prepare in the knowledge of law that he may be a help to many from the snares of the world and help to the household of faith.

19 Let the quorums counsel together in this work of love and salvation to mankind. As you and your brethren prepare for greater things to transpire, greater things shall come to pass. Healings, miracles and deliverance shall come but only those that hear his Spirit speak and the words I bring obey, shall find this gift. All shall be of a heavenly nature and all become white and delightsome.

20 Then shall be the healing of the breach of his people, no more divided in classes or boundaries.
21 Let help come into the office that others may be trained for this work.

22 Bless the work everywhere, establish the locals more firmly. Send them help.
23 All that show true repentance and come into this way enduring sound doctrine, let them thrust in the sickle and reap when the call of God comes upon them.

24 Be at peace with all men as much as it lays in your power. Fret not over things you have no control.

25 Let John O'Keefe prepare further to fill a place in the quorum of apostles.
26 Likewise, let Leonard H. Draves be added to the apostles and help in the office in the books, finance records and letter writing. There is much to be planned in the future by all that will help.

27 Let the finances come in that others may go in the fields of labor.

28 Let George Wilkin plan that in the year ahead he may spend more time in the church work. The Lord has heard his prayers.
29 Let help be sent to the city of Omaha, Nebraska, that the work may continue there and be fully established.

30 Send help to Colorado for the saints are in need of leadership and help in gathering the flocks.
31 Let the Lord's servant Bernard come all the way in this work and receive this holy unction and power and great peace will be upon him. He shall take his place in the apostles when a vacancy occurs.
32 Let the young people prepare—for the Lord will call a band of elders that will prepare in great love to help swing wide the gate and bring souls unto the Lord.

33 I leave peace with you and strength for the day and to all, a great blessing. I have come in the past, I shall come in the future. I am John the Baptist, the Elias, the Messenger, which was for to come. Amen."

The Messenger was with me much over an hour.

Ninety-fourth Message

The angel Messenger of the Lord appeared in my room in my home, Independence, Missouri, U.S.A., June 11, 1975 at 4:15 a.m. The room was filled with light, as has been each time he came before. He spoke as one having authority, he was serious in his words. I wrote the words as he precisely gave them to me, speaking slowly, as I wrote them down—repeating when necessary—to allow me to write exactly what he said. May the Lord bless and reveal to all this the assured way— the bride of Christ. He was with me about 50 minutes. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, arise and write the words I shall give you, a message of hope and life to all that follow through. My message is one of love to those that fully receive it, who are humble and peaceful in the Lord's way.

2 I bring the authority to prepare the way before the Lord's soon coming; before this generation all pass away.

3 Fear not, the Lord is doing a marvelous work and a wonder and the powers of evil shall lose in the end.

4 Study the words I bring. Teach and study the full word of God and you shall know the truth. Let all follow the instructions I bring and it will be well.

5 I am still at the helm, for I bring the gospel of the Kingdom to awaken and light the way. All that come this way, repenting of evil ways and the traditions of the world must be humble and be baptized in water in the authority I bring, for the remission of their sins through the atoning blood of Christ Jesus.

6 Let the hands be laid upon all that his Spirit might come in holy unction to them in greater power, for the promise is that he will send his Spirit to all those that are humble and full of love; shaping their lives by the assured way.

7 Let the work continue in all parts. Preserve the good and release the evil and those planning iniquity.

8 Behold, there is a cry for peace, but there is no peace save in the hearts of them that do the Lord's bidding: hearing his voice, refraining from all contentions that disturb the soul.

9 Only the pure in heart and the humble in spirit shall be able to stand and labor in this work.

10 Blessed are all they that have come and are coming to this work—they shall bear the brightness of saints.

11 Be very watchful unto prayer that evil will not succeed as wolves in sheep clothing.

12 The Lord accepts the publishing of the messages in other languages.

13 Behold! The book, The Word of the Lord—let this continue, reaching all nations.

14 There is much yet to be done, more light and further records will come forth—ere time folds in and the brightness of the Lord comes.

15 The Lord accepts the counseling of the quorums of apostles and bishops. Let more be done in love and humility.

16 Hold firm and high the standard—free from confusion and deliverance will come.

17 Much good has come from this Assembly of the people of the Lord. I have been with you. Swing wide the gate—go forth, the truth is set before you.

18 As I speak to you so speak I to all.

19 There are some that have rejected this way and have not conformed to this truth. Some will yet come. Others will speak lightly of this work, destroying themselves.

20 My mission was and is to establish the Church of Christ. I bring the authority—the priesthood of God by the touch of my hands, to this day and time it stands alive. More power shall be given as the servants prepare for it.

21 Because of faith, many souls shall be brought to this way of salvation, to find eternity with God and dwell in peace.

22 I leave peace with you and all that read these words. I will come again as the Lord directs. Amen."

Ninety-fifth Message

After the services of the second day of our 1976 General Assembly were finished I came home at 10:45 p.m. I sat at the table having some refreshments and prepared to retire. I dropped my head to the table to rest a bit and fell asleep. Just after midnight the angel Messenger came and spoke, "Behold!" which awoke me. I arose quickly and got my pad of paper and pencil, prepared to write as he spoke. He moved a chair out from the table and sat down.

He spoke slowly and distinctly, waiting upon me to write each word as he spoke sentence after sentence. He wore the same familiar robe. The same light and radiant glow accompanied him as of other occasions and filled the entire house. My wife, Katherine was sound asleep and exclaimed in the morning hour that she felt great peace in her body.

For awhile I sat reading the message after he left at 1:30 a.m., June 15, 1976. I retired until 4:00 a.m. and then I arose to call the brethren. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I come to you with a message from the Lord. I come from his presence. I speak his will.

2 He has heard the prayers of the faithful and with his warm and consoling Spirit will comfort and heal every whit, even unto the uttermost.

3 Those of your loved ones and those the Lord will give you and all now with you will be a mighty force to send and take to the world the words I bring, The Word of the Lord, the book, even to the ends of the earth.

4 The Lord has used many in every clime and nation to bring about this great work, preparing the way that all Christendom shall flow together.

5 'Who will go? Who shall I send? saith the Lord. Run, speak again to the man, even to him of a contrite spirit, who is humble before me. Israel shall be gathered and Zion redeemed and established.

6 I will put my Spirit upon him and it shall be upon all those that hear and obey this way. As you swing wide the gate, let my people come. He that is filled of this message and calling, let him thrust in the sickle and reap, saith the Lord.'

7 Let the translating into other languages continue, reaching all nations as fast as it can be done.

8 Your gathering and assemblings have been good in the sight of the Lord. Keep the Lord's Spirit among you. Command peace and stand firm, all you faithful.

9 The brethren have been blessed in standing with you, defending and proclaiming this way of salvation, for deliverance will come. Let all work together.

10 The eyes of mankind hath not seen, nor the ear hath not heard what is in store for them that love the Lord, that do his will, that hear and obey the words I bring; shaping their lives by the great plan and will of God. Love is your mission. Charity suffereth long and is kind, is not puffed up and seeketh not prominency. Neither will she dominate, nor destroy.

11 Where are the men of renown? Where are those of wisdom? Who knoweth the full plan of God? Who will prepare? Who will qualify to be leaders and carry this work on?

12 There are those that have been faithful to their trust and will carry this work far and wide. For I proclaim, even with a loud voice the gospel of the Kingdom of God. It shall be heard the world around saying, 'Fear God. Obey him. Give glory to him for the hour of decision, of judgment is now on to all ye ends of the earth. See the light that I bring.'

13 Many shall be touched by the Lord's Spirit. Many will soften and hear this way, adding to their good works this authority and trust. To all such their works may stand the test in the end.

14 Be ye humble, be fruitful unto the Spirit—even all. This is the assured way.

15 I bring the Elijah Message. I am the Elias which was for to come. I am John the Baptist. I will come again. Amen."

Ninety-sixth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me in Kansas City, Missouri Saturday morning, January 8, 1977. Ordinarily it would be dark as I was hurrying to my basement room at work until I had turned on the lights. But this time it was brighter than the daylight outside—I knew at once that the Messenger was there. On entering the room where my desk and chairs were—I saw him sitting there as if he was waiting for me. I spoke to him and he began speaking to me, instructing me to write, as he began to give the message which follows, speaking in the same distinct and commanding way as before. He had on the same white robe; also seeming to be in a hurry. He left at 8:10 a.m. I never did turn on the electric lights to see to write the message. The light that radiated from him was all that was needed. The brethren met in the scheduled quorums meeting that afternoon and the message had been given them. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! Write the words I shall give you at this time.

2 I come to you when you are discouraged and seeking to give up your charge and responsibility. This you must not do.

3 Trials will come and greater grief to the slothful and those that will not work in their place and calling. Let it not be so with you. As I speak to you, I speak to all. Take courage for greater works are before you and those that are with you in this work. You have done the Lord's bidding; shrink not from your work. The Church is established; keep it so.

4 Let there be no contentions among you, keep the Church at peace. Prepare more to see that the work does not suffer.

5 The great supper is being set. Those that are bidden will not come.

6 Where is the watchman? Why do so many shrink from the way of truth and light that I bring? Search the words I bring, study them. In them some think they do well to follow but are slow to understand; for all Christendom must flow together in the truth.

7 Proclaim this among the people: The great day of the Lord is near at hand, and the powers that destroy—them that destroy the earth—shall swing wide in the wind of war, strife and bloodshed; filling the earth with woe.

8 As the powers of evil build for destruction, the way of God will swell in the hearts of the righteous, honest and humble of the Lord.

9 Lo, the Lord has waited long for his bidden ones to awaken and press forward in preparing their lives for greater things to transpire, and build the Kingdom, the Zion of the Lord among mankind; but they have failed. Thus he looks to the remnant, that he shall fulfill his work.

10 Be not shaken nor disturbed, for some will fail; but the humble and patient ones will carry this work on.

11 You see those that are filled with selfishness and bitterness; some you call your friends are seeking to destroy you and the good works you have established. Be firm and your works will stand the test. Fear not what men may say of you and those that are with you. You were born for this cause. Many will follow in this way. Deliverance will be for the faithful.

12 That the quorum of the apostles be filled at this time: let James W. Savage and Seth LaVern Fife be set apart in the twelve.

13 As other vacancies occur; let Mervyn L. Johnson prepare for the twelve. Also, when David R. Temple is prepared, let him be added to the bishops. Likewise, let George Rhodes be added to the bishops.

14 The work will become very heavy in the office and headquarters records and preparing materials to help those that inquire and come to this work. Let more prepare to help in this, that all things may be kept in order and carried on.

15 The Lord has given help when needed. He has prepared the hearts of men and those to desire to work in this cause. He has given faithful companions, and those to support this cause. Likewise, he has given you a faithful companion that will be your help and strength and aid you in your work. Keep the vigilance. Give this message to the brethren.

16 I leave peace with you and will come again. Amen.”

Ninety-seventh Message

I retired to bed early in the evening, rested good for awhile; then awakened. I could not sleep more. So I arose, dressed and went to the kitchen table to read something or sit and rest. I dozed off to sleep. I was awakened by hearing the door open and noticed the room filled with light.

The angel Messenger of the Lord walked past me and in doing so he touched my shoulder. He acquired a chair and sat in it as he spoke. I arose to acquire a pencil; the paper was before me. I wrote as he spoke.

I know this is exactly as he gave the message. May the Lord prove by his Spirit is my prayer, in Jesus' name. Amen. Peace be with you. He left at 3:50 a.m., June 2, 1978. He was with me over an hour. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! Arise and write the message I shall give you. I come at this time from the presence of the Lord. I speak his will. The need of my coming is great and many have prayed that I come and speak the Lord's will—even in this work and the work they should do as to make the choice to serve this way. The Church of Christ, with the message I bring.

2 I am the angel of the Lord, the Messenger of the Covenant, the promised Elias which is for to come. I bring the Elias, or Elijah Message the prophets foretold of to come—lest the earth, mankind, be smitten with the curse! But in my coming the curse is lifted. The way is made sure in deliverance and victory in gaining salvation, the plan Christ has laid, and his Church built upon his revealing power—the Rock of assurance. Christ is the truth and the light, the life and the way; listen to his whispering call.

3 The authority is given that this work move on and salvation be preached in and through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ, his resurrection and eternal living: his coming again to reign with mankind.

4 Know you this, the way is prepared that mankind may walk therein and be saved; will they hear it?

5 Come now all ye honest of heart, come all the way: do this work and it will be well with you. You shall be free indeed and live with God in eternity.

6 See those that could help in this work, but because of the love for the praise of men and seeking prominency have destroyed their hope and wasteth their life away. Let it not be so with you.

7 Read and study the words. The Word of the Lord that I bring and have brought and will yet bring: shape your lives by them and it will be well with you.

8 Say not, the Lord speaks not today for he does. He will speak greater and more severe. He will shake the heavens and the earth. The necessary evils will run rampant to awaken mankind. Fear and repentance obey; come to the Lord. He will add to this fold such as shall be saved.

9 Be ye no more doubters. He is your Lord and your God. Moreover, the day comes when there shall be a new heaven and a new earth. Sin shall not be there for there will be no more Satan to tempt mankind.

10 Let the Lord's handmaiden, Siegfriede Ebensperger, know he has chosen her because of her faith and obedience to this way to proclaim it in writing and in word of mouth to many—bringing them to the knowledge of truth.

11 The Lord has seen the faith and good works of Martin Huonker—it shall bring forth much fruit. Let him know the Spirit and power is upon him and those that work with him. The greater gift shall be upon him and upon Emil Burk. Those that will come, working with them shall likewise find the greater gift of miracles and healings.

12 Let Karl Bumb and Werner Dotschel come into this way and be set apart as elders, moreover evangelists in this work and holy priesthood to labor with the work far and wide.

13 Let Friedrich Zluhan know this work is of the Lord, and the work he is in is established of the Lord, for a wise purpose in his plan. Let him come into this way, receiving this baptism and authority as an elder, moreover as an evangelist with this priesthood authority after the order of the Lord God. Let him with all his household and all those with him come into this way and let them be ordained to this authority and trust.

14 They with others have been reserved, preserved and prepared to receive this authority and trust that I bring to mankind. They will see the great hand and power of God moving to bring salvation to all that will hear and obey. Let them publish the words I bring and moreover their works will stand the test in the Lord's way. Many will help in the translating the word in other languages: the Lord will bless them.

15 Let these be ordained evangelists: Larry Gosier Williams, Jeff Turner, Kenneth I. Bortles, Norman Don Lyles, and Ronald Jeffery Revenaugh.

16 Let all learn this doctrine, the gospel of the Kingdom of God—that when they take up their calling they will know what to proclaim.

17 Let these when they come fully in this way be added to the evangelists: Hans H. Hansen, Dr. Reinhold Hermann, Elmer H. Jenkins, Julian E. Whiting, Eugene O. Walton, John J. Schut, Leo Meller, K. K. Kapoor, Carlson John Tuttle, Dale J. Jennings, Dale Mills, Carl E. Goering, David Perry, O. W. Frazelle, Raphael Asouline and Ben Adams.

18 Let the work continue far and near—translating and publishing the work everywhere.

19 If you men will work in love with these the Lord gives you, he will also labor with you that this work will be done.

20 Meet in your Assembly in peace, let no contention be among you.

21 I am John the Baptist, a resurrected being. I am body, flesh and bone, as you see me. I am your fellow servant. I will come again, as the Lord will direct. I leave peace with you. Publish this message with the rest. Amen."

Ninety-eighth Message

After coming home from church Wednesday evening, before 9:00 p.m., my companion was waiting up for me. We had the evening meal's dessert. We mentioned that the Messenger may come before Assembly time which begins Sunday, June 10, 1979. After my evening bath, I retired to bed earlier that usual.

June 7 about 12:06 a.m. I was awakened. I noticed the room became filled with light. I arose and went to the kitchen table where I had paper and pencil. There stood the Messenger. He spoke, "Behold, I am your fellow servant."

I quickly arranged the paper with carbon so as to make a carbon copy along with the original. He repeated the sentence as I was ready to write.

I pray every soul reading this message will pray and God will speak its truth and value to their souls. The Messenger was with me for about an hour and a half. The following is the message he gave. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I am your fellow servant; I am the servant of the Lord; I am he who sits and refines. It has been prophesied of ancient days of my

mission, and my name is John. I am now resurrected, from the redeemed of the Lord. I am the Elias.

2 I preached repentance and baptism before the Christ—and again I preach and prophesy before his coming. I bring the word, his instructions that a bride, the Church might be prepared, a people in very deed—the Church of Christ.

3 I have come in the past and I will come in the future until the work is finished, and the Christ sits in the right hand of power when Satan's rules are put down. Then will be rejoicing, for the millennium shall fold in and all nations that live and dwell shall come to worship the Lord their God, even Jesus Christ their Redeemer.

4 The Lord is mindful of his people, I speak his design. I come from his presence. The words I speak are his words, and they shall have their place among all those that shall be the Lord's bride in very deed, for the Lord God has turned to his select ones that he might bring about his wise purposes. His Kingdom shall roll forth until it fills the whole earth and righteousness shall prevail and the voice of joy shall be heard everywhere, for then shall be that Zion is redeemed and the reign of peace breaks forth with gladness.

5 I come as the Messenger of the Lord. The Lord has been and will be with his people by his Spirit, and his peace shall long linger with the faithful until they become the jewels of God, called, chosen and faithful.

6 Lift up, I am the Elias, Christ spoke of. I bring the refining spoken of by the prophets Malachi and Daniel. I bring the Elijah Message, I am the forerunner of the Christ. My work is to the ends of the earth. Much shall come to pass, many changes shall take place, the Church must grow, and all mankind may yet be found in the presence of the Lord through obedience, to the words and call of God I bring.

7 There are many that have long represented Christ. Those that will hear his voice in very deed will come into the Church of Christ and it be established among them with all its gifts and blessings, and represent Christ and his Church.

8 The way of deliverance shall be for all those that seek truth, pay their oblations to the Lord and his work. They shall not be in want.

9 Come ye now, that seek truth. Christ will come to his own and his Church. Behold! There is safety in the light that I bring.

10 This is the midnight cry, prepare make his paths straight. Be wise in the way of the Lord; let all be humble and at peace, seek not after praise of men, nor the love of worldly gain.

11 Let not the contentions of the world destroy hope, for the Lord will stand all his in holy places until the indignation passes over; they shall be called his when he makes up his jewels, for he intercedes for those that love him.

12 Teach the whole truth, let not man have his way, unless it be the way of the Lord. Worry not over that which you have no control.

13 I come to bring gladness, not to bruise, not to quench the smoking flax, but peace. Let the people choose the way to eternity and life with the Lord or go down in their sin, in darkness and that awful rejection of their choice.

14 The righteous shall have victory over the oppressors. Let the ambassadors of the Lord go far and wide proclaiming the gospel of the Kingdom—let more be up and doing.

15 The need is great that I speak on this. Many have asked that the Lord speak his will and declare what must be for the good of the Church, the Kingdom of God on earth. Let it grow, let it move forward.

16 Many have prayed for my coming and that God will speak on this need. Let this work be established in all nations.

17 Even to the Colored[1] and Indians: 'Thus saith the Lord, they shall know that I am the Lord their God, which caused them to be preserved even in captivity, they shall be delivered. I shall gather them unto their own nations—neither will I hide my face anymore from them.'

18 This is a concise message, unobtrusive, but modest in every way, let it be spoken.

19 Let James W. Savage and Seth LaVern Fife go to Africa and set up the Church there. Bring them into the fold in this work.

20 Choose out of them twelve disciples, set them apart, the leading counsel of ministry among them. In time the need will grow, set up and establish congregational commissions, where ever the need be for the good of the work. Let churches be set up among them. Let the Articles of Faith and Practice be taught among them together with the nations' rule and support.

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[1] Message 86:14, 63; Message 46:17; Message 41:19; Message 55:12

21 Let Larry Gosier Williams be set apart on this special work as one of their twelve disciples, until others can be taught and choose you eleven more from among them. Majisu, Imoli and Nazee are good men, let them have their place among them. With their help the Spirit will select others to fill the quorum of disciples.

22 As the need grows, choose out evangelists, pastors, elders and seven commissioned and set apart as special agents to carry and handle the needs of the people—and the finances of the Church and churches set up among them, and be in charge of same under the supervision of the council of twelve disciples, under the watchcare of the apostles of the Church in this land, United States of America.

23 Likewise, let James W. Savage and Seth L. Fife go to India and do the same among them—establish twelve disciples and seven commissioned agents, with evangelists, elders, and pastors to carry the work on.

24 In time, others of the apostles shall follow and aid and support the work and carry the work until such churches are set up in every nation. The Lord will speak and direct—I shall come again until the work is finished and established in every nation.

25 Swing wide, press forward, let the work move. Let all be in the fields of harvest that can arrange to go. Let the work continue everywhere.

26 The apostle Martin Huonker is favored much of the Lord because of his faith and good works, also all those he labors with. His reward of great peace and joy will be. The Lord will water the seed he has sown, they shall bring forth.

27 Be not weary in well doing, the end is not yet—trying times will make the work firm. Let not the necessary evils sweep none away.

28 I leave peace with you and the Church. I will come again. Amen.”

Ninety-ninth Message

Monday morning at 3:28 a.m. June 9, 1980, at my home in Independence, I awakened from sleep. My room was all alight from the resurrected Messenger of the Lord. I arose quickly and went to the kitchen table where I had paper ready. As I sat in the chair, the Messenger was walking towards me from the front room. He began to speak as he moved a chair out from the table and sat in it as he gave the message; the angel Messenger Elias that has visited many times delivering the Word of the Lord. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I come with a message of life, a message of hope in the eternity with God; a message of conviction, a message of deliverance. Will mankind hear it?

2 There are many looking for this message I bring that they might be a part of the bride of Christ. There is something to stir them—this is the divine will of God.

3 Mankind faileth of himself, he faileth to hear and obey. Many set their hearts to be secure and will not hear nor seek further light. What more shall be given to stir mankind, that they may see and learn the truth of the full plan of God?

4 I have spoken. The Lord has given his Spirit and those to preach the word. More shall be added to this responsibility to set up and establish the Church of Christ among all nations with this authority and the words of instructions that I bring; put them before the people.

5 The long planning and covenant of God shall have its fulfillment. His Kingdom shall roll forth until it fills the whole earth and all mankind shall obey his will.

6 I speak light and life, will they hear it?

7 All those that shall shape their lives by the words I bring, shall be blessed. Have faith in the prophets of old and it will be well with you, but heed not the ways of evil men—such will not save you.

8 You have seen those from time to time fail because of prominency seeking; traitors to the Lord's work, making an offense for a word. Be not moved by them.

9 Be very careful what you say, how you speak, and where you are, so is my message to all.

10 There are many blind guides; full well the Lord has been with the word to bless those that learn—but when mankind's mind closes to further light—the truth will not fit their learning. They will not conform to the full plan of God, they come not to deliverance, they are not convicted of their emptiness and they lose in the end. Why do they blind themselves? A stubborn heart and mind cannot please God.
11 When ripened in iniquity they shall slide into destruction. The necessary evils they cannot overcome.

12 Oh, ye people of the earth, turn a listening ear, hear the loud voice the Lord has sent— fulfilling his word. All mankind is called to repentance having faith, baptize them, let the hands be laid on all that the gifts and promised Spirit shall come upon them—the holy unction of God.

13 Before you stands an open door.

14 Let the work continue in Africa that is now underway. The Lord will seal it a blessing. Be not weary in well doing.
15 Let Larry Gosier Williams be added to the bishops and labor in his place and calling. Let the disciples appoint vice-bishops to their aid—even unto seven, in Africa who may aid in keeping the finances and needs of the people.
16 Let Lawrence L. Ray prepare also for the bishops when a vacancy comes. He shall be near you in great help.

17 Remember much is to come forth yet—even more. Adjust to the work and the multitudes.

18 A record shall yet come forth berating mankind before their fellowmen.

19 Let Karl Bumb be set apart as a disciple and vice-bishop in Germany to aid in the needs there, also of records and missions.

20 How great a vessel of honor many could be—but not so because of self will and seeking prominency.

21 Cast not your efforts to be wasted but use wisdom in your planning.

22 Let the work continue everywhere. Let the women help where they can.

23 As I speak to you I speak to all. I bring peace to all. I will come again. Amen."

The Messenger was with me forty-five minutes.

One-hundredth Message

I retired about nine p.m. the evening of October 13, 1981. At about eleven p.m. I was awakened. I felt the Spirit of the Lord in great measure. I arose quickly and slipped on my day clothing. I sat there on my bed. Soon I laid down and fell asleep.

After midnight beginning October 14, 1981, I was awakened again—I noticed the house was lit up brighter than at noonday. I quickly hurried to the kitchen table where I had paper and pencil. There sat the Messenger, as though he was waiting for me.

He began to speak. I wrote the message as he gave it. The following are the words he spoke. I hope and pray all who read these lines will have the witness of God's Spirit. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, write the message I shall give to you. I come with a message as the need may be. I come from the presence of the Lord.

2 I am the Elias that is for to come as the scriptures say. I am John the Baptist.

3 The world in its changes is fast folding in pace for wars and destructions; yet planning for peace.
4 Satan is at hand in the minds of many everywhere to bring havoc and trouble.
5 Will mankind believe and know there is a way of deliverance?
6 Changes will come. Let those whose days of service times have been spent in faith and good works, when not able to function—their strength has been used for good—let these retire with honor: E. L. Stone and L. Levell.

7 Let the work move onward and the Church image not falter.
8 Let there be added also to the apostles, Oren W. Frazelle; and to the bishops, Hans H. Hansen and James Parker as the vacancies occur.
9 Let those that will not come to doctrine be removed from this authority and trust.

10 Let Leonard H. Draves remain in the recording work.

11 Let James W. Savage and Seth L. Fife continue their work in caring and aiding in Africa and India. The Lord will give them strength and open the ways before them as they go there to help.

12 As the need comes, let there be help in the headquarter office.
13 Let the work continue of placing The Word of the Lord in libraries—that it may be available when it is known abroad of my coming with the message to mankind of Christ's soon coming to claim his saints and set up his Kingdom on earth in its fullness.
14 Publish peace and the way of the Lord.
15 The hearts of many wax cold because iniquity aboundeth. Let it not be so with you.
16 Give this message to the brethren, the Church, and abide thereby.
17 I leave peace with you and to all that hear my message.
18 I will come again. Amen."

One-hundred First Message

This, the year of our Lord, March 11, 1983, on arriving at my work earlier than usual, I did my work to begin the day. Great joy came in my heart and suddenly by my side, the Messenger of the Lord appeared.

Around and by me was paper and proper conditions. He began to speak. Quickly I sat at the table and wrote the words as he spoke them. Slowly and distinctly—repeating when necessary, so as for me to write properly and exactly as he spoke.

I pray that all mankind will pray, learn and know the angel truly comes with The Word of the Lord!

His presence was very comforting. He was with me from 7:05 to 8:15 a.m.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I come to you with a message at this time as the need opens before the Church.

2 There has been many prayers to the Lord that he direct the work by my coming.

3 Let all labor in love, be harsh with no one.
4 The Lord loves and blesses the humble and honest ones that take not honor to themselves.
5 He has spoken. He has sent me to speak his words and will. They shall not return unto him void.
6 I am the resurrected John the Baptist. I am the Elias, to come. I am he that Christ spoke of and I come to do his will.

7 Let repentance and faith be taught and remission of sins through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ, with authoritative baptisms I bring.
8 The work may move slowly. The young and old will be awakened to this greater light.
9 Praise the Lord for his works and plan of redemption, salvation and deliverance.
10 Defend the words I bring. Let not the holy rites be hindered. Hold high the standard and the words and work I bring.
11 As you prepare for it, greater peace and power will come to all those that look for it: the assured way of salvation and deliverance. All else will not save you.
12 It must be the Christ Jesus, his teachings, his words, for salvation only comes by him.
13 The Lord has reserved and preserved many that know his voice and their calling when they hear of the words I bring.

14 There are those that preach this word, and stand with you all the way; thus the work moves on in the Lord's will.
15 Be strong, be firm, let the truth be heard everywhere. Declare among the people the Lord's doings.
16 Keep sacred the authority and trust—the holy priesthood after the order of the Son of God—that is restored to mankind. You that obey my instructions and touch of my hands,
established anew amongst you, bring others into this work.
17 Worry not over those that fail to grasp the depth of this work. They hear not the scriptures that foretells the plan of God.
18 How good and great of vessels of honor some could be; but they would not because of pride and love for favor of men, and conditions in their hearts and homes. The works of Satan to play havoc and trouble—even in the world of sin.

19 Again I say: Let the work continue of placing The Word of the Lord book in libraries, that it may be available when it is known abroad of my coming with the message to mankind of Christ's Church and his soon coming to claim his saints and set up his Kingdom on earth in its fullness.

20 Publish peace and the way of the Lord, helping the work in all places.

21 The image of the Church is established. Let it not slip from you—nor falter in steadiness. Let all work together—your brethren will uphold you. Keep the hands of justice and the standard of truth firm.

22 Let the quorum of apostles be filled. The Lord has preserved Alfred Beyeler. Set him apart as an evangelist, and in this apostleship to carry the work in his nation, France, and others near and far, when and where the way opens. Ordain him an elder, moreover an apostle.

23 Let these be added to the elders, moreover evangelists: Wolfgang Trambowsky, Luzian Normann Kuehulein, Joseph Burke, David Glass and Richard Massman; and to the elders: Manfred Marks, Norbert Schorf, Herman Block and Michael Wolf. If these men will teach fully this doctrine of the pure gospel of Christ Jesus, they shall be a blessing to many.

24 Let L. M. Thornton know the Lord has prepared him to go to Europe to help and set up the work where the way opens.

25 A great blessing is upon Apostle Martin Huonker, the seed he has sown and will yet sow—bringing forth great results, let him continue. His strength is of the Lord. Peace be upon him and his work.

26 I leave peace with you and the Church. I am your fellow servant. Amen."

One-hundred Second Message

At about 5:30 a.m., Friday, April 5, 1985, I felt greatly impressed to go over to the church and begin letter writing, as I had several people on my mind to whom I owed letters. I had just finished a letter and placed it in an envelope, when I felt the presence of the Lord's Spirit in great measure. I was praying and thanking the Lord for his Great Spirit and blessings we all had felt and experienced.

Suddenly I looked up and the Messenger was walking towards me from the outer office. I knew he was bringing a message.

My paper being before me, I was prepared to write, should he speak. He began speaking firmly, a strong voice, the power and light was with him.

What joy, what peace, what serene ecstasy filled my being. He touched me on the left shoulder and proceeded past to move a chair to sit in while he spoke. This all happened in less time than it takes to tell it. He spoke firmly and slowly as I wrote every word. I hope all who read these words will pray and learn from God his great working plan. He was with me over two hours.
Following is the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold. Observe and write the message I will give to you.

2 The Lord has sent me for this great need. Many hearts are sad because of the deceiving work of Satan and manmade doctrines with no saving power.

3 Many have prayed to God that I would come with words of instructions from the Lord God, directing in their lives and in the Lord's work.

4 I am your fellow servant. I am John the Baptist. I am resurrected.

5 I gave the revelation and the vision[1] of the churches to John the Beloved in his day. In its fulfillment, you will see much has passed and much more to come.

6 The Church and work of the Lord is established and set in pace. Keep the vigilance. It will be well with all that follow this way.

7 Shape your lives and works by the words I bring, have brought and will yet bring.

8 Redemption and salvation cometh of the Lord, it is Christ's words that will save to the uttermost.

9 Let all that come this way be repentant and very humble, not ridiculing nor boisterous, but filled with love and peace. Let humility be your cloak and mantle.

10 If mankind seeketh to be of service to God, let him come this way. Suffer it to be so— receive this authority and the Lord will multiply their good works.

11 Knowledge cometh from study of the Books and grace from much prayer, salvation by obedience, deliverance by endurance.

12 Swing wide the gates, step forth and the way will open.

13 See those that have lost the way, the Spirit of the Lord has been pressed out of their lives. Empty vessels, soon their works will fade away and their efforts come to a sad end.

14 Let the work continue everywhere in the foreign fields where it can be established. Rejoice and be glad for it is the Lord's will. It will yet grow and multiply greatly—adjust to the multitudes.

15 Continue to spread to all nations among the Colored in love and justice. Peace will follow and all will be well, let it be the Lord's will and not the ways of man.

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[1] Revelation 19:10; Revelation 22:8,9

16 This is the assured way!

17 Mankind cannot build himself to be the power of God.

18 Prove all things by the words of truth in the Bible, Record of the Nephites, and The Word of the Lord. All this is established for mankind, the guidelines of hope and deliverance. Man's idealisms shall come to naught.

19 Much sorrow and distress with perplexity will come, striking those that hear not the gospel of life, truth and deliverance.

20 Zion shall not be moved from her place nor the temple from the spot pointed out by the hand and voice of God.

21 Restore and preserve all that will repent and fold into this way. If humility is their mantle and their cloak of walking this way in sobriety, let them follow my instructions and the Lord's commands, he will deliver.

22 Teach not the foolishness, the vanities of man. Some build on manmade doctrines and in time destroy themselves; spreading doubt and destruction along the way. Repent— come clean from the powers of falsehood and deceit, it will not save you. It is fallacy, not security. Let all come to the acceptable way of the Lord.

23 Do not be moved by the necessary evils of the waster, the false teachings of the past of many false doctrines—weird and twisted teachings. Even yet some err in all such.

24 This Record is for all nations, even the lost tribes of Israel and all the world, all the nations of the earth.

25 The day comes when it will not be said: Israel or Gentiles, but the people of the Lord and them that serve him not.

26 I am the servant of the household; I am your fellow servant, the Elias, 'That Prophet.' I speak the Lord's will and words.

27 Christ was lifted up that all mankind will be drawn unto him—even the Father which is the power of God unto salvation.

28 The Lord feels after many that are Bible students, leading to all the scriptures for the salvation of mankind as the Holy Spirit speaketh by the angel of God.

29 Worry not about what is said against you by the unlearned and haughty or highminded; they destroy themselves.

30 At this time that the apostle quorum be filled, let Larry Gosier Williams be set apart as an apostle to fill the vacancy. Let him prepare fully to go to Africa and help in the work there, for awhile and return.

31 And as other vacancies come in the quorum of apostles, let him ordain and set an apostle on each side of the great continent of Africa: James Nabende on the east and Godwin M. Inyang on the west.

32 Let them be the overseers and watchcare over twelve disciples on either side as the need grows and men are prepared. Let them establish headquarters on each side— keeping records and in concurrence and conjunction with the records here. Let them keep records and issue certificates there and copies sent here; establish the remnant among them.

33 In time, other vacancies will come.

34 There are those the Lord is leading this way. Save all that will hear the message I bring from the Lord, that will heed and obey.

35 Let none take part in this work until they come in by the door, the baptism in water and the laying on of hands for the gift and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

36 There are many who will accept the message the Lord has sent and the instructions I have brought to you, for the Lord will send his Spirit that will touch the hearts of mankind.

37 The Spirit the Lord will give to his servants will bring peace to many.

38 Behold, the day is nigh and at hand, when the prophecies of old are being fulfilled. Nations shall yet be brought down, and lo, a mighty cry shall come from them that fall.

39 The hearts of mankind must be turned to their Maker, the Creator of all, even the Lord Christ.

40 The Church is set in pace, let all be up and doing. The vision has been uncovered. My words are plain and faithfully given for mankind to find salvation, hope and deliverance.

41 Let restoration be among those that are humble and repentant and will obey the true doctrine of the Church and of the message of the faithful brethren, keeping the holy rites sacred.

42 This is the land where freedom is found and help in the way of Zion, the center of world deliverance in justice and truth. There shall be

deliverance in Mount Zion and Jerusalem and the remnant whom God shall call.

43 Let there be two of the bishops in Africa to fill vacancies. Let Fanuel Andango, Michael U. Johnson be added to the bishop's office. They shall work with the brethren here and there for the needs among their nations. Use wisdom in all their planning and assiduously choosing in filling their needs.

44 Let Eddie Lee show his humility that he may prepare to fill a vacancy in the bishops when it cometh. Let love be shown and the work move on in the peace of this work, in the Lord's way.

45 Let Larry Paul Crow, David White, Harold James, Andrew Holden, Alan Wade Crownover, Milton Fife, Tom Powell and Peter Modica take up the work as elders in this work. More will be called that the needs be filled for laborers in the field.

46 Let Terry Weaver with those the Lord will give to help, establish the work in Florida.

47 The way of truth will make you free—in obedience to the end.

48 Soon the work will be established in Australia—there is a call for help there now.

49 Many honest hearts are seeking for this final message and fulfilling of scriptures; take to them the way of life.

50 Let the work of translating and spreading the word everywhere continue. The Lord will bless all that help in this way, even in foreign fields.

51 Publish this message with the rest and place in the book, The Word of the Lord.

52 I speak that all Christendom may flow together and abide by the Bible revealing great truths; the coming forth of The Record of the Nephites; the book: The Word of the Lord; behold the books that will lead all mankind to eternal hope and salvation, deliverance in the Lord.

53 Yea! The Lord has used many that are truly humble to preach Christ, and the hope he provides for salvation, preserving mankind—deliverance from the fall that men might be, and men are that they might have joy.

54 Eternity has place for all that look to the Lord and view him as their Savior, Lord and King.

55 They that are for us are greater than they that be against us.

56 Fret not, for many will see this way and come unto the full plan of God.

57 I leave peace with you and strength to bear the way. Peace to the brethren, the faithful, the Church of Christ with the message I bring. Peace upon all.

58 The way shall be one holy priesthood and that after the order of God, after the order of Jesus the Christ, the Son of man. Therefore keep it sacred in its holy rites.

59 Let the teachers and deacons be ordained as elders; there are many functions of duties but one plan of authority. See that all preach and teach the same things in the precious way of love in haste.

60 I will come again until the work is finished. I am the Elias. Amen."

One-hundred Third Message

On the morning of March 22, 1987, at about 3 a.m. the Messenger appeared and awakened me by his voice. He said, "Prepare: Let your mind be at peace. I shall come to you with a message."

I quickly arose, had a good look at him, but he suddenly disappeared. The light remained as bright as noonday. The light finally left and I retired to rest. This brought me great comfort. I began fervent prayer in my heart. Before the light left, I looked at the clock and it was 3:23 a.m.

On returning home Wednesday morning, March 25, 1987, I found my home filled with the light of the resurrected. I knew the Messenger was close.

There he sat, waiting at the kitchen table. I quickly approached and acquired my writing pad. He said, "I shall give you a message."

I hope all who read these words will make it a matter of prayer and find this way of truth.

The Messenger appeared at 9:40 a.m. and left at 11:15 a.m. The following is the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, and hearken! Write the message I will give you.

2 I am the Messenger of the Lord, his servant, sent to bring a warning, a cleansing and to continue to prepare a people to be the Lord's bride when he comes.

3 I bring the priesthood authority, I speak as a fountain of truth, and with power, and with authority.

4 This is the assured way, let it be your way. I bring peace and a way of deliverance. I speak the Lord's words; his ways are just.

5 Let all be in the fields of labor as the way opens. See that all speak and teach the same things. Heed diligently and it will be well with the faithful and to all who obey and defend this cause.

6 Send the message and warnings to the ends of the earth and to all nations, tribes and peoples. Translate the message in all languages. Many will help in this.

7 The warning must go, though burdens be heavy. Let all watch and pray, for trials will come to all. Mankind must come all the way.

8 Know you this, the Lord has been and will be with his people by his Spirit, and his peace shall long linger with the faithful until they become the jewels of God.

9 There are deceptions and untrust.

10 Some have and will deceive. Let it not be so among you. Let peace rule your lives. My message is one of peace and security to all who humble themselves and obey. For this is the assured way of the Lord and the Elijah Message so many look for.

11 Let this voice of the Lord be heard. Let the translations continue; even to Jew and Gentiles, bond and free, the dispersed and outcast, to Israel, that all may have a chance to hear the warning words.

12 I am your fellow servant. I am the Messenger Christ spake of. I am his forerunner. I am the resurrected John the Baptist.

13 Fear not those who grind their teeth—yet say, I love the Lord, but show hate to the brethren. Woe unto all such, even in the world. Their house will be left desolate and their wealth destroyed.

14 Where is the love that rules your lives? Where is the peace that should guide your thoughts?

15 Fear not evil lurking at the heart and thoughts of man's conspiracy, from such turn away.

16 Let the Church, the body of Christ, love one another in the peace of God.

17 Have you robbed God? Have you taken that which is not yours? Would you take from God's treasury and say this is mine?

18 The working of the man of sin has long been revealed and ran its course. The evil one is wounded and shall be completely broken, and in the end will not be there.

19 Be you in the circle of the Lord, telling the truth of my coming, in such you do well. The Lord's Spirit will guide and rule if you are humble, even all that hear and obey the Word of the Lord.

20 Mankind shall know the Word of the Lord is among them. Do not despair, consider your way.

21 Let all be repentant, think again, you that be leaders, lead the people in love and peace. Command peace. Let it be among you in your counsels and in your plans. Unitedly govern together.

22 It is given for man once to live, once to die, in this life of probation—being judged according to the deeds done in the flesh while here. Each destining his own destiny.

23 Be not discouraged what people may say. This is not your work, but the Lord's. He will provide and direct, but take the message to the ends of the earth. To some the grace times have closed. There are those that stand in the way and would destroy you and the work you do, if it would not first destroy them. Be you submissive to the will of God. As I speak to you, I speak to all.

24 Remember there are thousands whose hearts are tender, who are looking for the Word of the Lord, who will be glad to receive the message; take to them the gospel of love.

25 Send help to Africa to build the work more firm and care for the locals. See, too, they are properly established and a proper file in records and registry.

26 It is expedient that Larry Gosier Williams and James Edwin Parker go as soon as it can be arranged. They may visit Alfred Beyeler in France and Martin Huonker on the way and where the call may claim. Encourage them.

27 See, too, that all things are in order for a blessing among the nations there. Speak the truth in love among all people.

28 Let Leonard H. Draves help in the office and records, also in the planning of finances. Let his name also appear on the deposits and signing of checks going out of the office, from the funds out of the moneys. Heed the instructions, and it will be well with all. That the quorums, apostles and bishops, may be properly represented in the

goings on of the church work. Instructions given in the past has not been rightly arranged.

29 Let not selfishness nor greed come among you.

30 The Lord has heard the prayers of his people, and I come at his appointment. I have spoken concisely. All will be blessed in obedience.

31 Many will respond to the aid of this work.

32 Let these prepare and be added to the eldership I shall give you: Jeff O'keefe, Scott Lyles, Thomas R. Paulson, Arlis J. Draves, Edward F. Draves, Gregory Richard, Daniel Weaver, John Jeschke, John Stephen Bulla, Willie D. Coffey, Benjamin O. Draves, Michele Balzo, Richard W. Everts, Matthew Stephens, Mark Stephens, Roy Yowell, Wolfgang Flachsmeier, Paul Rolfe, Kenneth Parker, Clifford Moss, Ken Pahutski, James Sorgen, Milo Morse, John Shur and Robert Johnson.

33 Let all that come to the Church of Christ be baptized, let the hands be laid on for the gift and gifts of the greater blessing, in the authority I bring. Peace and joy will come.

34 Let Oscar Giles know the Lord hears his prayer and will bless and bring peace in his home.

35 I am the resurrected John the Baptist, the Elias, which was for to come. I am the Messenger of the Covenant, of the promise, I bring the Elijah Message.

36 I will come again as the need may be. I am your fellow servant. I leave peace with you.

37 Give this message to the brethren and the Church. Publish it that all may know I have spoken the Lord's will. Amen."

One-hundred Fourth Message

I had gone over to the church to finish some work when the Messenger appeared and spoke. It was about 5:35 a.m., May 23, 1989. He gave me this message. I had my paper and pencil ready as for many days I have heard many praying for the return of the Messenger to direct the work so I was ready.

He was clothed in the same robe and the light of the resurrected filled the room. I made no light to see to write. He spoke with power as one having

authority. He was with me over an hour. I sat and read the message over, prayed and pondered awhile, made a phone call and it was 7:00 a.m. Following are his words. -- W.A. Draves

1 “Behold! Hearken and write the words I will give you. I bring peace and a message of hope, to all that accept my coming, with authority I bring from the Lord. Deliverance is found only in the teachings of Christ. Only through his atoning blood can mankind find remission of sins through obedience to the gospel.

2 I come from the Lord’s presence to fulfill the words of the prophets.

3 I am that prophet spoken of, the prophet of the Highest. I am the elect one, the Messenger sent of the Lord.

4 The planning and covenant of God shall have its fulfillment. The gospel of the Kingdom of God shall roll forth until it fills the earth. Shape your lives by the words of life, in God’s holy plan.

5 Hear the loud voice of God. Hear the still small voice. Oh! You people of the earth. Come out of the ways of the world, the voice of God saith, ‘Come all the way.’

6 Through faith, repentance and the baptisms, the deliverance will be upon you.

7 Be no more oppressed and the Lord will bring you through to the truth and work of my coming.

8 It is good to know the scriptures and learn the fulfilling of all things.

9 You see the move of time, closing of conditions in the world. Israel being established in her land, her cleansing taking place, and Zion, the Americas, she also shall be cleansed.

10 Many of the world will be destroyed, because of sin—the evil is a destroyer. Come out of the world and its ways of discord.

11 The youth of many nations desire peace and a Godly way of life. The spirit of good everywhere is working to destroy the adversary.

12 Look to the gospel and the faith of those that teach truth. Build yourselves into the scriptures in proof of my coming and my words which I have brought, will bring; and this way of authority.

13 Some will build which the Lord has not commanded and their works will crumble and fail.

14 Thus saith the Lord: ‘I am the Lord that stayed the hand of Abraham with the sword in his test of faith, obedience and trust. Descendants of his seed today will see the hand and power of God move. The adversary’s powers shall be destroyed in the end.’

15 The revelation of John is being unfolded in the eyes of all nations.

16 There are those the Lord has taken to their reward. Their work on earth has brought forth fruit and will remain.

17 Those that can not function in this work, their service being ended, let them be released of their responsibility and trust. Let the authority be upon those that can work in this cause.

18 Wherefore you may also have hope, and be partakers of the gift if ye will have faith. God has prepared a more excellent way and it is by faith that it has been fulfilled.

19 Let those of the twelve who can arrange to go—plan the work in foreign fields.

20 It is good that Paul Douglas Savage continue as pastor of the flock here at this time. Let all help in this work. Let love and kindness prevail.

21 Let these be added to the elders: Jim Bolan, Terry Laws, Phillip Lopez, Edward Coffey, and Dennis M. Jones.

22 This is a great work, and coming to the last days, the time of the end, when the mysteries of the prophecies will be unfolded and understood.

23 Let the message be published every way possible.

24 Names in the past that have not and or will not accept their calling, let their names be removed, lest the enemy make light of the Lord’s work.

25 Satan has great power and has ruined the lives of many.

26 Let all awaken to their calling and help more in this work, attending services, worship and working among the people.

27 It is good that Dale S. Milne come to Independence to help in the work, now, let him keep tidy the house of the Lord. Let him be appointed the Church historian.

28 As the vacancy comes in the bishop’s quorum, let Jim Sorgen prepare for the office work, love and justice continue to prevail.

29 That the apostles quorum may again be filled in the bishopric of the Church, now, and as other vacancies come: Norman Lyles, Dale S. Milne, George Wilkin, James E. Parker, and Jim Bolan.

30 There are many, many, many that will help in the building of the temple of the Lord, if it were not for the unbelief, doubt, bitterness and selfishness, among those that claim to love the Lord.

31 Some have sought to be great in the work of the Lord and have stood in the way. Leave the bitterness depart—come together in peace. The directions will come from the Lord.

32 This is my mission to bring the plans and directions to those appointed to inquire— that the will of the Lord be done according to his plan.

33 Much shaking and destructions, the death of many taken to the beyonds, their lives' work wasted because of their unbelief.

34 God in his power will have his way. The evil will not hinder when the Lord moves to do his work.

35 I have spoken, it is the Lord's will I have given. Blessings of healing and deliverance will come to all that heed and obey.

36 I will come again as the need be. I leave peace with you and the Church. Glory to his name.

37 I am John the Baptist. I am a resurrected being to do my calling. Amen."

One-hundred Fifth Message

I was up at 5:30 a.m., June 17, 1989. I had put the coffee to making, when suddenly the whole house lit up with the light of the resurrection. I knew the Messenger was here. He took me by my hand and I moved to the table where my pad and pencil laid, and began speaking. I was ready to write as he spoke. His same white robe and power and Spirit accompanied him. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I come again with a message of hope and instructions—in furtherance of this work of the Lord.

2 Thus far those that have listened to the word of the Lord, they shall be blessed.

3 I speak the Lord's will. I bring his words. They that heareth the words of the Lord and obey, shall be his Church in very deed.

4 For behold, the time is nigh at hand when the greater power will be manifested; therefore arise to greater faith you servants of the Lord. Turn more firm to your callings and away from the traditions of men and the ways that bringeth contentions. The Lord will bless those that are humble and do his will.

5 Send what help that can be to the foreign fields, but use wisdom, to whom and where.

6 There will be signs in the earth, the sun and the moon, and great shaping. Perplexity among the nations, men's hearts failing for what they must pass through.

7 The Lord has prepared a place and a way for the righteous and those that come this way, through the waters of baptism and the laying on of hands in this authority I bring to you and the Church, keep it sacred.

8 Even now the Lord instructs all to meet in your solemn assembling, and cry mightily unto him. He will hear and manifest his will unto you—even concerning Zion.

9 Let the word be taught in its completeness, that the joy of mankind might be full under the plan of redemption. Indeed men are that they might have joy, and inasmuch as they have faith in the plan of God, they shall find deliverance.

10 Because of manmade doctrines and traditions, the Lord's work has suffered and many are wandering in darkness.

11 Few there be that behold the truth or are desirous to bring it to pass the Lord's way.

12 Leave the past behind—its bitterness, its contentions, bring repentance, love and obedience in your hearts. Hasten, be obedient to the words I bring—for so it is spoken to all Restoration—all mankind, even unto the world.

13 'To my servants, saith the Lord, Come together in love, open the way, hear the words I send by my messenger, obey them and it will be well with you.'

14 It is good, let Larry Gosier Williams go again to Africa when it can be arranged. Help in the work there.

15 Let John D. Nazee and Festus Anyika arrange as much as possible to go among other nations and kindreds in Africa, bring them the message of life and hope in this work of God.

16 Let Dale S. Mills arrange in time to go to South Africa, to take this message to those seeking truth. Let him continue the translation to other languages. This must be done, by all who will and can help.

17 Take the message to all nations and peoples as much as it can be arranged. Plan the work wisely.

18 The Lord knoweth what he instructs to be done, inasmuch as obedience is done, it will be well with all. Keep the faith, hold high the standard. Endure to the end. Love is your mission.

19 In time in the days ahead, let Norman D. Lyles arrange to help in the work in Germany and elsewhere, where needed.

20 In time the Lord will call many more to help in this work. Even now there are those concerned: David Tranbery, Robert Beebe, Fred Kemp, Mark Thomase, Daniel Dalton and David B. Clark. Let them know this work is true and of the Lord.

21 I bring peace and deliverance. Keep it sacred. Amen!"

One-hundred Sixth Message

The morning of November 25, 1989, I awoke at 4:30 a.m. I got out of bed, dressed, and was sitting in the front room when the door opened and in walked the angel Messenger of the Lord. The light that accompanied him filled the whole house, brighter than at noonday. He took me by my right hand as he had times before, saying: "Take the message I will give you."

I quickly stepped to the kitchen table where I had writing pads and a pencil. He sat in a chair facing me and began speaking.

He had on the same white robe and strong countenance as always before. He spoke plainly and with firmness, watching and waiting as I wrote the words he spoke. Following is the message. He left about 6:30 a.m., the light remaining as I sat reading over the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I come from the Lord's presence. Take the message I will give you.

2 Yea, take heed at this time, the need is great that I speak on this work and plans of the Lord. Write the words I speak.

3 Many are praying to know the truth and the will of the Lord. The authority and trust is upon you and your brethren. Keep it sacred.

4 Let none destroy the plan nor the power or sacredness of the holy priesthood.

5 As was my coming anew to the remnant on the temple lot to the Lord's servant, Otto Fetting, your fellow servant and leader who was faithful in his day of work—yet blindness had befallen them; they sought not further light nor direction, moreover closing their minds to my message which the Lord has sent me to bring for the work in these latter days—yet they have preserved and kept sacred the holy spot pointed out by the voice, eye and finger of the Lord—this is their blessing.

6 Now hear ye this message and be firmly established in obedience to the commandment of this baptism I bring to rid yourselves of sins and traditions of manmade doctrines wherein Satan has deceived and befuddled the work of God.

7 Thus blindness has been in part. Now arise above it, bring it to pass of God's great plan. Receive this baptism. Build yourselves in the circle of the Lord. Will it come to pass?

8 Remember the Lord Jesus Christ is the truth, the way of life and salvation—deliverance from all sin. No other way can mankind be saved in the life of the flesh, this life of probation only. Thus mankind chooses this day what his destiny shall be in the hereafter—in the resurrection.

9 All that obey and defend this cause shall be the favored of the Lord. Try the Lord and see if he will open the windows of heaven and make you a delightsome people—mighty in his strength.

10 He that hardeneth his heart receives the lesser portion of the word, but he that will not harden his heart, to him is given the greater portion of the word and knowledge of the work in God's plan, until it is given unto him to know the mysteries of God, until he knoweth them in full.

11 Be not deceived nor tied down by the chains of the devil.

12 Can any justly say in your heart, you know nothing of my coming?

13 I am John the Baptist, a resurrected being, the Messenger of the Lord, the forerunner of the Christ, his comings. I bring the Elias or Elijah Message spoken of by Christ and the prophets. I am the elect one, he to give meat in due season, the Ancient of days, the Messenger of the Covenant, the promised one to come. I speak the Lord's will and proclaim the word again before the Christ shall come. I shall be with him

when he comes to claim his bride, the Church, his jewels. Let all mankind hear.

14 Behold, seek to please the Lord. Pray not in confusion, nor of a great noise, for God loveth serenity and quiet calmity, words well-said, well-spoken from the heart. Who heareth a roaring noise? Can God hear?

15 He will not bless confusion neither will he hear same.

16 The need is great that I speak on this—swing wide the gate, let the Church grow. Let the work continue everywhere. By his working Spirit great things will come to pass.

17 I bring the authority, the everlasting gospel. Heed it and the words of life and truth as taught in the Bible and The Record of the Nephites with my words.

18 Those that know the scriptures wherein speaks of my coming, the prophet like unto Moses, and all who will not hear me, that prophet, shall not be there when the Lord counts his jewels.

19 The law and the prophets spoke until I come—now I speak for the Lord, that the work and plans of God will be carried through and accomplished and the holy sanctuary be made possible, the temple of the Lord.

20 Why is the rejection and contention of the Lord's people? Will you accept this baptism I bring? Rid your minds of the sins, traditions and doctrines of men.

21 Thus saith the Lord, 'If you will hear and obey I will lift that which has befallen and will close up the breach thereof. I will cleanse the ruins and it shall be built as in the days of old, even the temple of the Lord.

22 These are my people. They have kept sacred the special spot for the temple, the holy sanctuary of my planning, saith the Lord.'

23 Choose a man who is no mocker, who is humble and of good report, to bring up the prints and plans from the instructions I have brought and will bring.

24 Do not bring the wrath of God upon your failing. Your houses will be laid waste— your children void of inheritance—if you come not into the will and circle of the Lord. Hear this message, obey this baptism, cleanse your minds of bitterness, of separations, of divisions over doctrinal points. Learn the truth, the humble gospel way.

25 The Lord does not change his mind or plans, and is no respecter of persons. He will not forget his promises, nor will he alter his standard or ways of values, but merciful and longsuffering. He would that none ignore his laws forever. Yea, not even his chosen people—lo, the work is not yet finished. His message is valid today as when it was first uttered.

26 Thus saith the Lord, 'I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you, and you shall walk in my statutes. I will put my laws in your minds. There shall be peace throughout the land of Zion, and Jerusalem, and the remnant, whom I shall call my strongholds, deliverance will be there.'

27 The Lord hath power to do all things which is according to his word.

28 Bring forth repentance. Prepare the way of the Lord. Walk in his paths which are straight, for behold, the Kingdom of God must come—awaken to his plan. Seek ye the extra oil in your lamps and vessels, your lives and your work.

29 The Lord has waited long and now pleadeth to bring reconciliation and obedience to this way and it will be well with you.

30 Let more be added to be in the fields of labor.

31 Let all labor diligently and great blessings will follow wherever you go. The Lord wills it, and speaks it. So shall it be.

32 Lift high the standard and peace and power will be your portion.

33 Let there be added to the elders, moreover evangelists, and more as they come into this work. Before you stands an open door, enter and receive this authority: Earl Smith, Ronald O'Brien, M. Green, John Brisson and Thomas D. Schwartz.

34 Give this message to the Church and the brethren of the Temple Lot group, and to all Restoration. Hear the call of God.

35 You that shall be spared and favored of the Lord, heed the words I bring. Be converted to this great assured truth and the Lord will heal you.

36 I leave peace with you and will come again as the need may be. Amen!"

One-hundred Seventh Message

The same messenger that has delivered the Word of the Lord in the past came with this message at 2:15 a.m., June 16, 1990, at my home in Independence, Missouri. He was with me over an hour. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! I come with a message from the Lord, that the work of the Church and of the Lord's plan will move onward. Many are praying for my coming, the Lord hears their plea. Now, I bring a message of peace and progress.

2 The hearts that are humble will hear the call of God to be up and doing in this work of hope and salvation. There is much to be accomplished.

3 The power of the adversary has enthroned his influence in the minds of many, ruining the lives of those that will not learn truth and come to doctrine.

4 The Lord changes not and has been God from the beginning, shedding forth his Spirit as holy men in the past have spoken when moved by his Holy Spirit. I am the prophet born from among the brethren like unto Moses and I speak the words and will of God, the Lord Christ Jesus, Creator of the universe and all things that are therein; even mankind that hear my words which the Lord putteth in my mouth.

5 Mankind creates stumbling blocks to satisfy their traditions—full well they know their traditions will come to naught, making the word of God of none effect.

6 The Lord has chosen his scribe to bring the word to the people. Will mankind hear it?

7 Let the work continue everywhere and more help and more in service for this work. The Lord is with his servant Lyles in Europe, thus calling those to help in this work of the Lord. As they prepare that come in this way, the Lord has called them by his Spirit. Let these I shall give you be set apart as elders, moreover evangelists, to carry the message of life to others in their nations and peoples, remembering it is through Christ and his words whereby mankind shall be saved. Through his atoning blood and plan of redemption shall mankind come into his presence.

8 Let all that come into this work be baptized of water under this authority I give and receive the laying on of hands for the holy unction and power to do the work in this closing time; to bring in the reign of Christ on earth, folding in the millennium the reign of peace, ere there

cometh a new heaven and a new earth, when former things will pass away and all things be made new in the eternities.

9 Let Hans Peter Baur be set apart as an elder and evangelist to labor among his people and establish the work, let him hold together the others whom God shall call in those parts.

10 Likewise, let these be added when all come into this work. Let them work among their people and nations: Rudi Hans Renshof in the Netherlands; Paul Musial of Poland; Olaf Hareng among his acquaintance; Norbert Scharf where he can be of help; Wolfgang Flachsmeier whom the Lord has healed, let his testimony ring forth.

11 In Austria; Wolfgang Proksch, the Lord has a great work for him and will bless with great peace and much assurance. He can accomplish much with the help of Horsh Richter, elder and evangelist in his area.

12 Let these prepare for the work: Stanislav Rybarzyk and Benjamin Trambowsy; others shall be called likewise. Spread peace and deliverance everywhere and the Lord will bring all through.

13 Let there be peace in your gatherings and the weakness will turn to love and strength. Arise from lethargy. Swing wide the gate. Let the Lord's people come all the way to this plan of deliverance—receive a new heart and abundance of God's Spirit and deliverance will be made sure.

14 Take courage and boldness in this work. Peace I bring to you. Peace I leave with you and the brethren. Publish peace everywhere. This is the assured way of deliverance. Amen."

One-hundred Eighth Message

I was awakened at 3:30 a.m. October 14, 1990, at my home in Independence, Missouri, U.S.A. I noticed the light that accompanies the angel Messenger, the Elias, filled the house brighter than the noonday sun.

I quickly arose, went to the kitchen, there sat the Messenger of the Lord. He arose, took me by the right hand and sat me at the table. He turned the paper tablet that I had on the table, so I could write.

He had begun to speak. He repeated so as for me to write the words of the message as he gave them.

I finished the message. He arose again, took me by my hand as he left. I followed him to the front door and I noticed the yard was as light as day outside the front of the house.

I sat and read the message through feeling greatly blessed because of it for the church work. Also weakened very much. Having spent last week in the hospital of illness, I decided not to call anyone this early in the morning for help on the message at this moment, but went back to bed.

However, I felt to write this introduction before lying down. It was 5:39 a.m.

I worry about "adjust to the multitude," when so few listen to this angel's message, The Word of the Lord Brought to Mankind by an Angel.

Bless us all precious Lord Jesus. This same angel has visited me at various intervals for the past 53 years and 10 days. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold! Take the message I shall give you.

2 I come with a message of love and instruction. There are many that have prayed that I come and bring instructions and directions for the Church and work at this time.

3 I am the Messenger sent from God. I am the resurrected John the Baptist. Though many of mankind do not believe now, the day comes when they will inquire of my coming. I am the Elias that is for to come as the scriptures foretell.

4 It was even revealed to Moses in his day and he discerned the future plan of the Lord God and spake saying, a prophet like unto me, meaning himself. Also saying like unto Moses, again himself, born from among the brethren, earthly parents.

5 The Lord God is Christ and he changes not. The Creator of all things.

6 It is mankind that has created stumbling blocks, failing to grasp the truth, and has ruined the lives of many. Destroying the plan of God to make it one of none effect among men.

7 Know you this, the Lord Jesus Christ is Creator and never a prophet at any time. It is unlearned mankind that speaketh otherwise. Full well they know their traditions will ease the flow with the doctrine of man, than to heed the humble truth and true traditions.

8 Let mankind respect the Lord Christ, and honor him; his sacrifice on the cross and resurrection, bearing the sins of all that will come unto him and receive deliverance and salvation.

9 There is no other way but to heed and obey his voice. I speak his will. I bring the message of life, speaking his words and instructions. Hear, oh hear, all mankind.

10 These days are fulfilling the Elias coming, wherein I am he Jesus the Lord God spoke of.

11 The people perish for lack of knowledge to perform properly or progress rightly in the Lord.

12 When a man is at peace with God, even his enemies respect him.

13 Those that will not and those that have not nor will not come to the standard rule and plan of this work—let them be removed as you have done. They remove themselves.

14 Let not man's ideals be taught. The Lord is unchangeable and will not accept the follies, bickering and ways of mankind.

15 My coming is to guide and hold steady the work of the Church.

16 The works and follies of men destroys hope and brings doubt and mistrust. Some have hardness of heart and will not conform to doctrine and this work. I have relayed the authority that we might destroy the ideals and works of man's own choosing; setting his own laws.

17 See that all come to the Church's teaching; all preaching the same things.

18 The work is set in pace, the doctrine and program is given; follow through.

19 The greatest days of tribulations is yet ahead, when all turmoil will break loose and few there be that shall understand. But be ye peacemakers, thus receive the greater blessing.

20 Hold the truth and faith of the Church in great honor—which shall mean salvation to all that will hear this way, assured in the Lord's planning. Peace be unto all. The peace of life is gentle and kind to mankind if he will but let peace and joy rule and obey the injunctions and

words I bring. My words shall have their place in the hearts of the honest.

21 This way of truth is set firm, yet bold and sure, and the Lord will have his way with all.

22 Think again. Where is wisdom in this work?

23 Use wisdom in choosing laborers.

24 The Lord accepts the work of Norman D. Lyles—seek out the members in this work. The Lord by his Spirit is with him. Success will be with him.

25 It is not wisdom that John O'keefe be in the field at this time. Let him find work in Illinois, the Lord will bless him and his family. He shall yet rejoice greatly in this work keeping the faith.

26 I will come again as the need is and the Lord directs.

27 Give this message to the brethren, the Church; to those called Restoration; and to all the world. Amen!"

One-hundred Ninth Message

Monday morning, February 11, 1991, I awakened at 6:00 a.m. at my home in Independence, Missouri, U.S.A. Because my brother Lehi is in the hospital I was not resting in my sleep. I arose, dressed and looked out to see what the weather was like. I was sitting by the table thinking of the Church, the Lord, the work, the Messenger—also feeling his coming and suddenly strong presence.

The Messenger opened the door and walked toward me. I arose, we took right hands, and he moved a chair as he began to speak, sat down and gave the message. As I wrote, he repeated occasionally so as for me to get exactly what he said. Finished, he left at 6:45 a.m. It took my strength so much I retired again to rest. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come to you again from the Lord's presence with a message of life and hope to all that hear and obey the words I bring from the Lord. Write the message I will give you.

2 Many prayers are uttered that I speak the Lord's will and bring instructions and hope— deliverance to the faithful.

3 Thus saith the Lord, ‘Come all ye faithful and I will open the way before you. I will bless your efforts and my Spirit shall fill your souls with joy and gladness.

4 I have sent my forerunner, John the Baptist, to govern the plan before my return to claim the faithful—my jewels—all that obey my commands and instructions, the directions of progress.

5 My servant Norman D. Lyles has searched out many members and of those of this special work; I have called them. My angel servant John has directed the work.

6 Let Heinrich Repp, Adam Repp, Manfred Marks and Hans Peter Baur be ordained unto this authority, a double portion of the holy unction of God as elders, evangelists and disciples of this work in the Europe area. In time there will be twelve disciples of the work management for Europe. By my Spirit and calling the quorum of twelve disciples shall be filled.

7 Let the printing press be established there and the work to go to other parts and carry this work far and wide,’ saith the Lord.

8 This is the instructions and directions I have been sent to give you and the Church. Give to the brethren and to all. Remember, God is just.

9 Let the quorums meet and plan the work with the Spirit to guide. Use wisdom in all your planning. This is a concise message, conveyed upon all them that believe.

10 Let the work continue, all preaching and teaching the Church’s doctrine, truth and obedience. Thus obey the instructions and follow through.

11 I will come again as the need be and the Lord will direct. I leave peace with you. Amen.”

One-hundred Tenth Message

I was awakened at my home in Independence, Missouri, U.S.A., June 19, 1991, at 2:06 a.m. by the light of the Messenger. I arose quickly and hurried to the table in the kitchen. There the Messenger was waiting. The whole house was filled with light. He had on the white robe he always wears. We shook hands. He began to speak; I began to write. He was with me until 3:40 a.m. Following is the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise, give ear and take the message I will give you. I come from the Lord's presence at his command and when there is a need. Many are praying for the furtherance of this work.

2 You are the Lord's scribe. For this work were you born. The Lord is your shield and preserver. His strength is given to sustain you.

3 Worry not about false claims by ungodly persons; they seek to destroy, but first to destroy themselves.

4 I speak sternly and with concise words to all that will humble themselves before the Lord.

5 Let all turn away from the past of sins and traditions of men that will not save you.

6 God's peace and power shall reign—for in Zion the place of peace—a nation of righteousness—wherein obedience shall reign and the gospel of salvation shall be found.

7 Ye that hear the whispering of God's Spirit how that it mellows the hearts of men—yea even all that hear and obey, great things shall transpire before you: the sick healed, the lame walk, the blind be made to see. The greater power shall be given.

8 I am John the Baptist, the prophet of the Lord that shall bind God's work together in the gathering of Israel to their promised land and fully establish in their cleansing their hearts and learning of the Holy One, the Deliverer, the Christ.

9 Yea, they shall learn of the Christ, the Savior and Messiah of all mankind, yea all the earth. Those that hear shall be delivered, redeemed and be saved in their inheritance, all that shall be with them serving the Lord. For they need not fear nor be confounded.

10 It is the kingdom[1] of this world which is ruled by the devil which is built up among men—which are of the flesh—that must come to an end.

11 It is the Lord's will that the work be helped in Germany that it be developed to govern the Church of Christ there, bringing souls to salvation. Let it continue.

12 Therefore, and elsewhere, many will come into this work; the call is from God. Let these be added to the elders, evangelists, moreover disciples: Bernd Stelter and Robert Beck. By the Spirit of God upon them, more will be added to their numbers.

13 In time twelve disciples shall control and be over the work there as I told you, in concordance with the apostles here, properly represented—always in accord with the rights and laws of the government.

14 Fear not, the Lord has sent me and I have spoken his will.

15 Let all that will as they come in this work, be baptized and receive the gifts of the Spirit, and authority to preach and teach salvation to mankind through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ, for salvation is to all mankind that will hear and obey, all preaching the same truths.

16 It is good that the women help all they can—aiding their companions and the work, aiding in the records and translations into other languages. Let the work spread elsewhere as much as the way opens.

17 Let the sacred rites be preserved and kept holy in the Lord's Spirit. Be ye clean vessels of the Lord.

18 Let these be added to the elders: Jim Bolan, Marvin Zink, Robert Esler, Bruce Easiley, Darrel Bellamy, Carlos Bravo, and Derrick Rodgers.

19 Let these be added elders and evangelists: John Dawson, David Priest, Josef Weber, Joseph Hunter, George Nearing, Wayne Miller, Victor S. Idim, P. L. Osinde, W. John Koystra, and Gideon A. Fedhe.

20 When these come in this work let them be ordained and set apart as elders, evangelists and first disciples in the Philippines: Edward Cakin Simpay and Xavier G. Prado. In time others there will be called, even by the Lord's Spirit. There shall be twelve disciples, the leading ministry in this work there. Others and the plan will be revealed by the Holy Spirit of the Lord.

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[1] I Nephi 22:22

21 Let the full gospel plan be taught. All must come in by the door, the baptisms under this authority and receive the laying on of hands, the Holy Spirit shall be given.

22 Yea, and moreover, this holy unction in a double measure shall be upon them, given of God as you lay on the hands. Bring them into this work. The Lord's work must be fully established.

23 It is the Lord's will that the two apostles, Norman D. Lyles and Larry Gosier Williams, go to the Philippines baptizing and ordaining and setting up the Church there in those parts that it may grow, elsewhere, fast and far, as time is folding in when the Lord's coming shall take place. The powers of darkness must come to an end.

24 'Come out of her,' saith the Lord. Let this work be fully established. Let the brethren continue their journey on to India, Africa, Germany and France.

25 Peace I leave with you and the Church. I will come again as the Lord directs. Amen."

One-hundred Eleventh Message

On September 22, 1991, Sunday morning, 3:30 a.m., I could not sleep. I arose, dressed, and was sitting at the table when the Messenger of the Lord was near. He walked in the front door saying these words as he approached me. "I come from the Lord's presence." He took my hand and was seated. He was with me about 35 minutes. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Write the message I shall give you.

2 The work has been accepted thus far of the Church of Christ, with the message I bring. Let it continue here, and elsewhere, far and wide. You have seen the changes in the world activities—the powers not of God are going down. A more peaceful way is coming. However, the greatest havoc is yet to come.

3 Lo, the Lord is grieved because of the churches, the people called Restoration, not heeding the plan of God; the authority I bring; nor the instructions even of the prophets of old; nor Christ's words—pertaining to the temple of the Lord, the sanctuary of the Lord.

4 Thus saith the Lord, ‘Where is the house built unto me? You live in your sealed houses—with sealed set minds—established in your own manmade and evil doctrines. Even establishing false teachings of how the God of heaven, Creator of the universe, is to speak to mankind. Ignoring the plan of God; having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof. Therefore your failure is in not hearing the truth as it comes, making the word of the Lord of none effect.

5 I have given the holy priesthood, the power and authority of God, by the hands of my messenger, mine angel, my forerunner, but so-called Restoration has added to: offices, officers, and creeds I do not accept. Again, without authority, and lack of the true authority and doctrine of salvation, because of high prominency and great titles, you are empty of the Lord.

6 Let all repent and receive this authority I send for mankind, the pure love of God, saith the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.’

7 When Howard Leighton-Floyd comes in this work and there cometh a vacancy in the quorum of apostles—let him take his place among them.

8 As these are prepared for this holy unction and the eldership let them be ordained: Howard Leighton-Floyd, Albert Leighton-Floyd, Bruce Staley, James Naslund, John M. Berger and Richard Smith.

9 When there cometh a vacancy in the bishops’ quorum—let Jairus Yates be set apart a bishop.

10 As new locals are established, let elders and evangelists be set apart to carry the work on.

11 Again, those called in the past who will not or have not accepted their calling in this work, remove their names from the records lest the adversary maketh mischief toward this work.

12 Let the word of the Lord bear words of truth and salvation unto victory and deliverance.

13 As I speak to you I speak to all who will hear the voice of one seeking to remove all confusion.

14 I will come again as the need shall be. I am the resurrected John the Baptist. Amen.”

One-hundred Twelfth Message

The Messenger, John the Baptist, came into my home in Independence, Missouri, April 4, 1992 at 2:48 a.m.

I could not sleep because of grieving over the passing of Brother L. M. Thornton. I was dressed in my day clothes and was seated by the table reading The Word of the Lord.

He took me by my right hand and seated himself at the table. He was clothed with the resurrection light that filled the entire home.

He spoke slowly as I wrote the message down, repeating occasionally, so I could be sure to write each word he spoke.

Here is the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, again I bring a message of hope and life to all that will accept my coming and the words I bring from the Lord.

2 'Yea,' said the Lord, 'I have sent my messenger. Will the people hear him? I have not spoken in secret or in hiding. He has spoken my words and will. It shall stand, for this is my pleasure. I know the end from the beginning and I have planned deliverance to all that will call on my name in righteousness, in humility before me.

3 If my people will be faithful and hold to the instructions I send, they will find salvation and deliverance. Many are honest in heart and seek to know the truth. This is truth to learn this marvelous work. The power of the evil shall lose in the end.

4 Study the words I send that my messenger brings to you. Let your minds be illuminated in peace, and joy will rule your lives,' saith the Lord.

5 Let none take part in this work until they come in by the door of baptism and are repentant of their sins and traditions of men, their manmade doctrines and styles of worship. Let none teach or preach that are not a part of this work. Let all learn the truth and come to this work. Salvation is of the Lord. Praise ye the Lord. Let the hands of the faithful carry on. Zion must come forth.

6 Again I say, let all come together in the service of the Lord, and the Lord will meet with them in the hour of their humility revealing the things of the Kingdom, for all have a work to do. Let love fill your hearts that it will be said, 'See how they love one another.'

7 They that are of God and are humble, seeking the Spirit and find it in righteous acts, showing charity beyond measure, will have the greater power and their works will stand the test.

8 Seek not for prominency, nor praise of mankind, for such show their nothingness and will not endure the sword of truth and justice. Those that will not qualify or prepare to work in God's will nor attain to the Holy Spirit, their evils will find them out in their failures.

9 Let the faithful be true, upright, and honest so that the Spirit of peace will be upon them. Watch against the days to come wherein many will suffer, but shape your lives by the words I bring and it will be well with you.

10 Let those that reject the message I bring from the Lord be released from their trust and responsibility—for they deny my coming—and the Lord rejects them. Therefore, let them have no part in this work, for their hearts are not true and not in the Lord's will. All those that oppose and fight against this work, except they repent, their end will be sad. They cannot overthrow the Lord's work.

11 Remember the Lord has called and chose men to direct this work. Keep your calling sacred. What you bind on earth is bound in heaven. What you loose on earth is loosed in heaven.

12 Trust the Lord, likewise that you may be trusted. Remember, God is just.

13 Let the apostles and disciples the world over know their great responsibility rests with caring for the flock, the saints of God.

14 Before you stands an open door, move onward through it. Go forth, swing wide the gate. Pray much and the way will open. Let all learn this way. Take courage. Keep the vigilance. The Lord will comfort all that come unto him. Be humble, be not troubled, be overcomers in the Lord's way.

15 The work the brethren have done in the Philippines has been pleasing in the sight of the Lord. Likewise, elsewhere, so far.

16 It is good and the Lord's will these be disciples: Rolando Bucayong, Rodillo Bajao as has been, and Cesario B. Gorres.

17 When Kahasha S. Wifred cometh this way, let him be an elder, evangelist and disciple; to the evangelist and disciple, Victor Diaz; to the elders as they prepare: Levon David Moore, Edward R. Sechrest Jr.,

Phillip Meihls, Edgar Padayhag, Jimmy Locsin, John Decker, and Todd H. Hayes when he cometh this way.

18 Those that will prepare to labor in the Lord's work, receive the message of life and come all the way, shall find peace—deliverance and rest to your souls.

19 I will come again as the need may be. I am that prophet, the Messenger of the Lord, John the Baptist. Amen."

One-hundred Thirteenth Message

I was awakened at 2:15 a.m., June 15, 1992, by the presence and light of the Messenger, John the Baptist.

I arose quickly and proceeded to the kitchen table. The Messenger took my right hand and placed himself, as well as I, at the table. He began to speak.

I wrote as he spoke. The whole house was lit up and the Spirit of God was very strong. He was with me till 4:18 a.m. Following is the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "I come with a message from the Lord. I bring refreshing to all who will hear my words the Lord has put in my mouth. I come to speak his words, complying with his Spirit, will, and plan.

2 I am John the Baptist. I was resurrected when the Christ arose. I am he to go before the Lord to prepare his way, to prepare a people to be his bride when he returns to claim his jewels, the elect ones.

3 This message is to the appointed and anointed ones of this work to be taken to all the world. All that hear and obey will find peace to their souls. My message is one of love to all that obey it.

4 The Lord Jesus is the resurrection and the life. He is the Savior, Redeemer and King of all mankind. All that hear and obey have right to the tree of life and to eternity. His glory shall overshadow them.

5 I bring the authority that his bride, the Church of Christ, shall be fully established and prepared to bring in the Zion of the Lord, the way of eternal peace.

6 I speak in all due regards. This is the assured way. Make straight the path of the righteous for the way is one eternal round.

7 May the people of the Lord take on new courage, for he will give a new heart to all that hear and come this way of authority and deliverance. The servants of the Lord speaking kindly to all and to one another.

8 This is a day of gathering and bringing all to see the redemption of mankind, for the Lord gave himself a ransom that man might be brought back to the will and plan and the Father sees it well done.

9 Publish the messages I bring. Let them go to all the world. Teach repentance and salvation. Forgiveness is to all that repent and obey the call of God. Go forth, do the things the Lord says must be done.

10 Blessed are the meek and all that consecrate themselves to serve the Lord. They shall enter the rest of the Lord and shall be preserved while the indignation passes over.

11 Keep the faith, be diligent, hold to vigilance and the sunlight of righteousness shall overshadow with healing in his wings. Study deeply the words I bring and it will work well with you. As you believe the words of the Lord and the prophets, and obey, Satan has no power on you.

12 Mankind of the world today is divided and separated by unkind boundaries. Therefore, the need for more governing disciples in the nations. There are many nations and the need calls for disciples in each nation as the Spirit will call, let it be so. Prayers have been uttered that the Lord speak on this, I speak his will. The time is short, coming to a close.

13 Let the elders and evangelists hold the work together—the disciples to govern and direct. Let all be at work.

14 The time will come when the need will be for Leonard H. Draves to arrange to spend much time in the office and work in headquarters. The letters of encouragement and records will require his time. Let the work not suffer. Move firmly in the adjustment.

15 Work in the fields of harvest will require much attention. Let James E. Parker assist in this.

16 The work in India has been accepted of the Lord.

17 Let all have the Word of the Lord. Study and bring all to this great truth for adjustments and corrections. Hold firm and active.

18 Likewise, the work in Africa, is a call for more attention and as the people come into this work, they need the teaching, training and learning the plan and will of God—this authority that I bring must have its flow.

19 The Spirit will reveal to the chosen apostles to know the plan and need of the people, adjusting to the design of haste.
20 In time other changes will come. I will come again as the need shall be. Amen."

One-hundred Fourteenth Message

I was not able to sleep, so arose and dressed. I felt perhaps the Messenger would come.

On August 23, 1992, at about 4:30 a.m., the Messenger came in as I was seated at the kitchen table. I arose, took his hand and seated him. I had my pad of paper ready. The influence of the Spirit and power of the resurrected was very strong. He was with me about an hour and a half. -- W.A. Draves

1 Behold, I have come as the need is. Take the message I shall give you, place it with the rest. Publish it to the brethren, the Church, and to all that will receive the words I bring.

2 I am the Messenger of the Lord. I come at his command and the need and call of the people. Let the Lord's will be taught, and your righteous need be laid before the Lord. If he delights in your plea, he lendeth an ear to hear. An answer will come for your victory and deliverance.

3 When mankind lends a listening ear and a heart to please the Lord, he will hear their cry and the mysteries and unknown shall be known and uncovered in their understanding of mankind.

4 The seed has been planted far and wide, and the work of the brethren, Norman D. Lyles and Larry Gosier Williams, in great regard and due respect, has been seen of the Lord; and what has been accomplished in correcting and establishing the work, in the Philippines, helping and managing in India, Africa and Germany, with others where and with whom they labored, has pleased the Lord. Let it be so. Much good will come from the seed sown. Peace and victory in deliverance and salvation will come to all that heed, obey and follow through.

5 The message and authority that I bring is the pure love of God, the priesthood after the order of God: the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the Creator of all things, even the Lord Jesus Christ.

6 I am John the Baptist, the Elias which is for to come to bring the Elijah Message.

7 There cometh a day when the open door before you will close. Are you ready for the consummation of all things; bringing in the Lord's jewels, his elect ones—the honest of heart—making ready the bride of Christ, his Church, his Zion?

8 Cast not your efforts to be wasted, but use wisdom in all things.

9 Let your love show forth in the circle of the Lord, bearing good deeds seasoned by the Spirit of God. Be not weary in well doing. The Lord's will and your joy, lay it before the Lord. In the Lord all things are possible, seasoned by his Spirit.

10 Leave all in the Master's hands. It will bring you peace and deliverance. Little by little have I spoken; here a little, there a little, line upon line, precept upon precept. How long I have spoken. Will the world hear it? Will the people hear it?

11 You believe in God, believe also in my coming to prepare the way. I speak eternal words, I am clothed with light for a covering, gushing forth as a fountain of truth.

12 Declare the word, commanding mankind everywhere to repent and come this way, for the time has come when the way of truth alone shall stand, all else will come to naught. Contend not over points of doctrine of the gospel, but trust in his words, and he will make you free. Those that be not active in some way in this work will lose and the Lord will call others, for the message must be taken to the ends of the earth, to all nations.

13 There are many now almost persuaded to believe, but Satan whispers for them not to.

14 When these are prepared for this ministry, let them be set apart as elders. Peace, love and power will be given them, likewise to all: Kent Johnson, Reece Johnson, Brad Evans, Jared Smith; and Larry L. Gillreath, elder and evangelist. Also Robert Mey of Germany as elder, evangelist and disciple. The Lord will make them a blessing in this work.

15 Let all teach faith, repentance, baptism and the laying on of hands and the gifts of the holy unction shall be upon them.

16 I leave peace with you and will come again as the need shall be. The Lord's Spirit shall lead and function. Amen."

One-hundred Fifteenth Message

The Messenger, John the Baptist, came into my home in Independence, Missouri, March 8, 1993, at 2:30 a.m.

Being not too well from a cold, I was in my front room reading The Word of the Lord. I felt the Spirit of God very strong. I had a light on to see while reading. Suddenly it became very light, the entire house lit up with the light of the resurrection.

I had looked out to see what the weather was like and had left the door unlocked. The Messenger, John the Baptist, walked in. I arose to greet him. He took my right hand as we exchanged a few words in greeting. He said, "Peace to you," and I said, "Likewise, God bless." He sat near as I took my tablet to write.

I hope that all who read these words will know the Spirit of the Lord and seek him to follow this truth. Following is the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Write the message I will give you. I come from the Lord's presence. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, I speak his words, his will. I bring peace for your life and all who will hear me, through the message I bring to you.

2 Let Norman D. Lyles and Larry Gosier Williams cover the work in foreign areas, and know the Lord works with them and those they labor among. Let Eddie Lee help in the work in Africa.

3 Let Leonard H. Draves know the Lord directs his work to be in the office. There is much that can be accomplished—as has been directed in the past—keeping the recording and files of members. Others will help as the work calls for and progresses.

4 Behold. There are many almost persuaded to come into this work knowing the Lord has spoken and speaks the assured way. Deliverance will only come to those that believe, enter this truth, and endure to the end. Eternity with God will have place for all such— this is God's planning.

5 When mankind awakens to the program and plan of God, adjusting their lives to the way of life; letting the Holy Spirit ring in their lives, and walk the ways of righteousness; then salvation will bring them deliverance. Behold the glory of God in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer; resurrected to break the bands of death. My message is one of hope in the eternity with God; a message of conviction, a message of deliverance. Will mankind hear it and follow through?

6 See those that have lost the way, the Spirit of the Lord has been pressed out of their lives. They become empty vessels. Their efforts fade away and come to a sad end.

7 Hold the peace. Let not the contentions of the world destroy hope. The righteous shall be preserved. The Lord will stand his in holy places until the indignation passes over.

8 See those that have set up their own way not believing in what I speak; their actions deny the authority I bring. They seek prominency and their works will all be destroyed.

9 When cares and burdens come up—take them to the Lord in prayer, in wisdom, and deep concern. He will answer to your blessing. You will see his power move.

10 Praise the Lord, let the hands of faith carry on. The Lord's Zion must come forth.

11 See those that rejoice because of my coming. I come not to another. I come to you. This is your work to take the message and give it to the Church, to the brethren and the world. Many will accept it and the salvation they must come to.

12 The powers of evil will seek to destroy. Some you feel after would harm the work if it did not first destroy them. Let doubts and fears be removed. Many will join in this work and the success of the righteous will be great in the Lord's sight.

13 Study deeply the messages I bring. Illuminate your minds with this power of deliverance—victory in the Lord.

14 Those inquiring of this work, teach them the way of life, and as they come this way, they will bring others to the truth, they shall be in this ministry. This is the Lord's anointing and appointed way of peace. Finding the truth in the Bible, The Record of the Nephites, and the book, The Word of the Lord, the words I bring and will yet bring. Worship and find the gifts.

15 Repentance and faith is the beginning, the baptisms, the hands must be laid upon all that the Spirit might come to those that prepare for it. Establish the words I bring in your lives. I will come again as the need might be.

16 It is through and in the atoning blood of Christ that mankind is saved.

17 There are many that have long represented Christ. Take to them the words I bring. Lead them into this way with all its gifts and blessings, representing Christ and his Church. This holy priesthood is the pure love of Christ.

18 Remember you are not alone, for far more than ten-thousand times ten-thousands are waiting at the gate to enter and be a part of the Kingdom and Zion of God. The outcast shall know where they belong and be delivered.

19 Continue to pay your oblations to the Lord and endure. Peace I leave with you and will come again. Amen."

One-hundred Sixteenth Message

On September 4, 1993, I was not sleeping well, praying much of the night. I arose about 5 a.m., was through bathing, dressed and finished shaving, when the light of the Messenger filled the house. He walked in, I turned and we met at the kitchen door. He slapped me on my right shoulder. It was hard at the time but felt good later. He spoke greetings, I answered, "Bless you." We touched right hands. He left about 7 a.m. Following is the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, I come to you from the Lord's presence. I come at his command, to speak his will. I am the John the Baptist that preached repentance in the wilderness. Many of Judea, of Jerusalem, came to me. Even Jesus the Christ came that I should baptize him, that the fulfilling of the way of righteousness should be fulfilled.

2 Who is mankind that hath less than this authority that I give—that I bring—have brought to the Church? Does mankind believe it and follow through or does he have his own way, his own doctrine, his own plan? From whom does he receive authority? Will it last? Will it stand the test in the end?

3 Let faith, repentance, and the baptism be taught, with proper authority, and the laying on of hands for the gift and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

4 Fear not those seeking to be prominent, or of outstanding; creating doubts, not feeling the Spirit of God. Be humble in all your thought and peacefully worship before God and your fellowmen. He will reward.

5 When you are in need of light, wash yourselves[1] that you will be clean, consecrate your heart to serve the Lord. Seek him in earnest prayer and he will give you the light you need.

6 The image of the Church is set in pace. The authority established, the power given. Let it develop and progress the Lord's way. He will provide and show his hand.

7 Be discreet, be humble, lift your lifestyle to be tidy, neat, patient and full of grace. Think again, you represent the Lord's body and members in particular, that your humility will be accepted of God and man. God is just. He will open the door before you. My message is to all that will hear, listen, open and obey. Deliverance will come.

8 Let all know to come this way. Those that are almost persuaded, come. Be firm, let not Satan beguile you. The authority is given in its channels, let it be so. The Lord gives his Spirit to lead and hold the faith. Where is the progress? Why stand ye still when there is much to cover?

9 Faith, repentance, the baptisms, teaching Jesus Christ and his atoning blood in redemption that salvation will come to all that hear and obey the full plan as taught in the Bible, The Record of the Nephites, and The Word of the Lord, the words I bring as the angel of God. I am his Messenger, a resurrected being. I am John the Baptist, I am the Elias.

10 The pattern and form is placed before you. Who is man to claim to have more than this? Many of the Lord's people will accept the message, but remember this is a work of love. It will bring life, happiness and peace to those that accept it, but sorrow to those that reject.

11 Indeed, the work is in the hands of the faithful. I give charge that you see that it is directed humbly and in love. The work you do will be recorded in heaven. That which you bind on earth will be bound in heaven. That which you loose shall be loosed in heaven. Those that do or have spoken lightly and bitter of this work, their charge and responsibility they betray and it is taken from them. Therefore they

[1] Matt. 6:17, 18; Message 14:5

cannot work in the sacred work of the Lord, walking in darkness at noonday. They release and destroy themselves.

12 The earth shall be filled with the light I bring—keep it sacred—the words I bring. Mankind chooses the way he would go, progressing his own destiny. The Lord knoweth man's heart and those deceiving, not true to the trust of righteousness. Thus there will be changes in those called to lead. The process of their function has been hindered.

13 Therefore, let James Nabende be released from the apostle office, function and calling. Also, Fanuel Andango be released from the bishop office, function and calling. Slothfulness has destroyed their calling. The spirit of this work has faded from them. Let the moneys also go where the work is being done.

14 Also, George Rhodes be released from the bishop office and his charge in the field. Likewise, George Wilkin be released from the apostle office, function and charge.

15 In time others will be called to fill vacancies, as will be proven of God's power. This is a holy work and cannot be frustrated by the will of man.

16 Mans' failures and wasted works must not hinder this message or its mission. Let the work continue and progress on its way. I will come again as the need will be. Amen."

One-hundred Seventeenth Message

Sunday morning, September 12, 1993, I was seated at my kitchen table reading the Message Book. At about 6:10 a.m., the Messenger walked in. The light of the resurrection filled the home. The Spirit was very strong. We exchanged greetings; he began to speak. He left about 7 a.m. Following is the message.
-- W.A. Draves

1 "Behold, my fellow servant. I have come again to you with a message, a message of life to the obedient. Remember ye are the body of Christ, the Church, and members in particular.

2 ‘To the humble and obedient,’ saith the Lord, ‘your faith has been exceeding great. You have endured and shall find my peace in abundance.’

3 The millennium is to be the Lord’s reign when all mankind will obey his will the world over, and the Church prepared to be the saints of the Most High.

4 Heed the instructions I bring, establish justice in the gates. Let your hearts be filled with peace. Choose the upright and the faithful. Those who qualify is given power to carry the work onward. The Lord gives as mankind prepares.

5 The Lord calls more to help in this work. Therefore, let Don Kaiser be set apart as an elder and evangelist to work in his area; he will find the Lord’s strength upon him.

6 When Jerome Williams comes into this work, let him be set apart as an elder and evangelist. The Lord will bless him to work among his people and kin.

7 To fill vacancies in the quorum of twelve: let Terry Laws and Charles S. Martin be added to the apostles. Let the hands be laid upon them that the Lord will confirm their callings, likewise to all.

8 Let Edward R. Sechrest and Scott Lyles be set apart as bishops to fill the vacancies.

9 It is the Lord’s will the work be continued everywhere. As the servants go to foreign fields, the Lord will be with them and prepare those they work with. Peace will follow them wherever they go.

10 Let there be twelve disciples on each side in Africa, thus the work shall move smoothly. Likewise, seven bishops’ agents.

11 I will come again when there is a need. Peace be to all. Give this message to the brethren. Amen.”

One-hundred Eighteenth Message

On March 3, 1994, I arose about 5 a.m. and turned off the door alarm. I felt tired, so I laid on the sofa and slept some more. When the Messenger began to speak I arose—he helped lift me by taking my right hand. My pad being on the table I began to write as he gave the message. He sat in the chair by the kitchen table near me. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Arise and take the message I will give you.

2 Fret not nor worry not, this is the Lord's work, mankind cannot run it his way. I come to you to give encouragement. The authority and trust is upon you. No one or none other can take it from you.

3 Some let Satan[1] drive them into bitterness and evil acts against you.

4 My mission is one of love, I come from the Lord's presence. I bring peace to fulfill the way of the Lord. To cause mankind to be made pure and holy, righteous in the Lord's sight. The hand of power and trust are his. He giveth as mankind prepares. I bring glad tidings to the faithful. The word I bring giveth salvation to all that believe and obey. Will mankind hear it?

5 I am the Elias, the forerunner of the Christ. My baptism is to fulfill the way of righteousness. There is no other way for salvation to come to mankind, only to follow the Christ Jesus, only through him.

6 You have done the Lord's will and work, preserve it and keep it sacred.

7 Be pleasant at all times and the Spirit will guide you in all truth. As I speak to you, so speak I to all.

8 Let these I shall give you: John O'Keefe, Howard Leighton-Floyd, Charles S. Martin, Edward Sechrest be released of priesthood authority and Terry Laws released of the apostleship.

9 Take your place as an apostle, likewise Leonard H. Draves and Mervyn Johnson. Let Leonard H. Draves keep the records as he has been told to do and other works instructed in the office.

10 Mankind cannot do the Lord's work his way, it must be the way of the Lord, or therefore their own destruction.

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[1] Message 86:35

11 Unless there is repentance from the office of James E. Parker and James Sorgen, they too shall be released of their authority.

12 There will be other changes.

13 In time the Lord will call others to fill vacancies. Be not disturbed of what your brethren sought to do. They destroy and release themselves for lack of believing and or obeying my words I bring and will of the Lord.

14 The work of Larry and Norman is pleasing in the Lord's sight and the people they work with.

15 I leave peace with you. I will come again when the need be. Amen."

One-hundred Nineteenth Message

I arose about 6 a.m., Saturday, March 19, 1994 and turned off the door alarm. I was seated at the table when the Messenger walked in. He laid his hand on my right shoulder as he passed to sit in the chair near me. Following is the message. He left at 7:15 a.m. -- W.A. Draves

1 "Take the message I shall give you. Give it to the brethren of the Church.

2 Many of the members have been hurt over your actions and records you kept—not allowing the brethren's help.

3 The Lord has heard the prayers of the faithful and peace has come in the hearts of many concerned to consider the words I bring.

4 In the communion: the sacrament of the Lord is salvation to the truly humble and repentant. The Lord has and will forgive. Let your hearts be clean and your lives pure. Hear the words of comfort and encouragement I bring.

5 Restore those that show forth repentance and Terry Laws to the apostleship; in their ministry and position and it will be well to the obedient.

6 Thus saith the Lord, 'Ye are my friends. I have tested you as Job[1] has been tested; yet he loved me, your Lord. The testing has served its purpose,' saith the Lord.

7 The work in the foreign field has been well planted and will fill its mission. The word shall go to all nations and the world over. Henceforth it will reach multitudes and bring them salvation in Christ Jesus.

8 Let Robert Esler, Phillip Crownover, Tony Crownover and Russell Lyles, when he comes into this work, be set apart as elders to further this cause. The Lord will make a blessing.

9 I leave peace with you and the Church. Amen!"

One-hundred Twentieth Message

I was up and in the kitchen reading when the Messenger walked in. The home was filled with light. It was 5:30 a.m., April 22, 1994. He left before 6 a.m. Following is the message. -- W.A. Draves

1 "I will give you a message that all may know the Lord has sent me to speak his will. I come from his presence to give instructions so this work may progress.

2 Keep the standard and the work will not suffer. It has been established to move to every nation and the people of this world.

3 Let Anthony Wanga be set apart as a disciple to work among his people.

4 When there cometh vacancies in the bishop quorum, let these prepare to fill vacancies: Richard Massman and Marvin Zink.

5 Likewise of the apostles: Alan Crownover, Jim Rolfe, Darrel Bellamy and Mike Greenwell. The Lord will bless by his Spirit as they take up their calling.

6 The Lord Jesus is the Christ and he changes not. He is the light of salvation to all that hear his voice.

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[1] Job 1:9-22; Message 62:11; Message 50:6; Message 56:6

7 Let the work continue in the foreign fields. Let it be established everywhere. The Lord will bless and bring success by his Spirit.

8 Give this message to the brethren. I leave peace with you. Amen."

One-hundred Twenty First Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared unto me at the Buracho, Local in Kenya on September 29, 2018 at 5am and was with me a little over an hour.
I was sitting on a rock writing in my journal the events of the past few days of our missionary effort in Uganda and Kenya. It was just becoming slightly light enough to see and write, when suddenly the Angel, John the Baptist, stood before me. I, at first thought it was a vision, until he reached in my pack, which was beside me, and handed me a writing pad and another pen and commanded me to write the Message that he had brought unto me from the Lord Christ Jesus. All my doubts and fears vanished and a great peace came over me, as he moved his hand to my head.

He wore a robe of white, and appeared to be about six foot tall, and perhaps 30 years of age, with a beard and hair down to his shoulder. Most noticeable, were his eyes, which seemed to pierce my very soul and his appearance seemed to radiate light. His voice was deep and seemingly kind. – Norman Lyles

1 "I have come to you from the Lord, from His Presence. Write what I shall give you to instruct and direct the Work of the Lord. Fear not the words of men whose hearts are carnal and seek their own glory. It is Satan who has sought to destroy the Work and Word of God. I am the resurrected John the Baptist, the Messenger of the Covenant.

2 I have come unto you with the Word of the Lord. A message unto the people of God. You are to give it to your brethren and the Church.

3 With hold not the Word of the Lord from His People; for the Lord hath sent His Messenger with words of life for the people of the Lord.

4 I have come unto you with the Word and Will of the Lord. There are those who have spoken words not from the Lord; appointing and purporting to call men into the ministry; yet they are like vessels[1] empty

[1] Message 69:10; Message 82:6; Message 83:22

of water; pouring out death upon the Altar of God. Calling men unto offices and responsibility that only God can call and ordain. Their prophecy shall come to naught and leave the flock in darkness and desolation.

5 I am come to you with living water[2], with the Authority and Power of God. I am the Elijah, the Messenger of the Lord's Covenant; sent by the Lord to purge and cleanse[3] His ministry and purify the Lord's Church and Doctrine.

6 Even as the Lord hath turned the wilderness into living water[4] and dry ground into water springs; thus the Lord has sent me to bring forth His Word to purge away the sins of men and turn man unto God and cause thy face to shine in the light of salvation.

7 Once again the Lord has sent me to bring His Message, after breaking His silence: brought forth because of His anger at the actions of evil men, who sought to take authority and power which belongs only to God.

8 The Lord has allowed heresies[5] to be among you; that they, which are approved may be manifest among you. Thus the Lord accepts the Authority and ministry and Apostleship of Darrel Bellamy, Norman Don Lyles, Larry Gosier Williams, and Terry Laws; who have remained faithful unto His Message, His Word and His Doctrine. The Lord has witnessed the efforts of His servants and has blessed their faithfulness throughout the world; prospering the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message and allowing it to grow and be built upon His Rock.

9 The Lord is pleased with those whose faith has been tested even as Job. They have held to His Standard and the Work has been recorded in heaven.

10 Let those who have fallen away from the message of the Lord – Repent quickly and return; being baptized, lest their names be removed from the book of life.

11 The time of darkness, trial, and deception has passed and now is the time of refreshing. Come ye unto the living water and be healed. I have brought a message some will reject it, some will accept it; never the less, the Words are from the Lord. It will bring happiness and peace to those accepting, and destruction to those that reject it.

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[2] Revelation 22:1, 2; John 4:10
[3] Message 88:18
[4] Psalms 107:35
[5] I Corinthians 11:19

12 The Lord has heard the cries of the people and answers this day, even to the salvation of His people and His Church; and has sent me to bring forth a refreshing and Unity.

13 The harvest is white, thus the need for more laborers to aid in the Lord's Work. Thus, when these come this way, let them be ordained as Elders: Douglas Sirengo and Tom Kalam. Baptize them and let them learn the Doctrine of Christ.

14 Let these be ordained as Evangelists: David Beck, Jeremy Laws, Ronald Nganga, Keith Harrison, and Tony Davis, when he comes all the way.

15 Let these be added to the Apostles: Robert Beck of Germany, Timothy Gosier, Darren Bellamy, Peter Wekesa Simiyu of Africa, Edward Coffey, Fred Mikangi of Africa, and Roger Simpson of the Philippines.

16 The Lord is pleased with the work of Josphat Wanjala, Tom Matakwa, Joseph Juan, Jerry Juan, and Amos Mutibo.

17 It is the Lord's Will these be ordained as Bishops: Chris Laws, Gary Doudy, Bill Holden, and John Githinji of Africa. Let Jai Singh of India prepare to be a Bishop, and the Lord will use him to be a blessing to many. The Lord has seen the humility and the heart of Scott Lyles; let him be restored as Bishop in the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message.

18 The Work in the foreign fields has been pleasing unto the Lord, and is held in due respect: the work of Edward Coffey, Apostle Norman Don Lyles, and Apostle Larry Gosier Williams. Therefore, let Apostle Norman Don Lyles and Apostle Larry Gosier Williams continue to cover the work in the foreign fields.

19 Let all be repentant receive the Authority I bring from the Lord God. The Lord has seen the repentance of Sonny Dimicali and thus calls him as an Evangelist to labor in the Philippines.

20 Let Emmanuel Dimicali be ordained to the responsibility as a Disciple in the Philippines.

21 In time, in the days ahead, the Lord will fill His Quorums, as men prepare and prove themselves worthy; even among those who return to the Lord's Church and are repentant and are baptized.

22 Behold this is Christ's Church and shall be His Bride, the Remnant. The message has been given, the Authority is certain and the Lord's

Work must go on.

23 It is Christ' Words that will judge all men. It is Christ's Blood that must wash and cleanse all men. It is Christ's Words in the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Word of the Lord, I bring that shall be your rule and guide. Heed not the prophecies of man and man made doctrines and traditions that will lead men astray.

24 I have come to you with peace and will come again as the Lord Commands and as the needs of the people come up before the Lord. Amen."

One-hundred Twenty Second Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared unto me in Kitale, Kenya on October 23, 2018 at 12:45pm and was with me over an hour. He appeared unto me and placed his hand upon my shoulder and smiled bringing within me a peace and feeling of calmness. He was dressed as before and the same radiance came forth from His being and His Spirit and voice brought forth unto me an understanding that he was more than any human could ever possess. -- Norman Lyles

1 Behold, again I come to give instruction unto the Church. I come as the Lord hath appointed. The Lord will comfort all that come unto Him.

2 The Lamp[6] of the Lord has come forth unto those upon the earth to search out the souls of men. He discovereth the deep things of the heart of men, and bringeth them forth to free them[7] from the shadow of death.

3 The Lord will touch the hearts of the honest and bring them to find joy and life in doing His Will and in obedience to His Word.

4 Be humble and obedient to the Lord's Instructions as you study deeply[8] His Words in the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Word of the Lord I bring from His Presence. You shall find peace and security and freedom from darkness of this world.

5 Let all be at peace with all men and carry unto them this Message in love and humility.

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[6] Psalms 119:105
[7] Message 34:2; Message 37:10
[8] Message 113:11; Message 115:13; Message 84:20

6 Great changes[9] in this world have come as I have told you; therefore, take unto them the Word of life that their souls may be spared the destruction to come upon the earth.

7 You see the confusion among the churches and the governments ruled by men with evil means; closing doors[10] once opened and the oppression of the children of God.

8 The Lord is a God of knowledge; by Him are actions weighed. Have you heard the secrets of God? Behold, what He breaketh down[11], cannot be built up. He shall shut the mouth[12] of kings and cause empires to be broken down and dissolved, for none can match the Power of What He Wills done.

9 The Lord has broken the seals[13] and the Tribulation of the Churches has been let. The pale horse[14] is bringing forth destruction upon destruction. Soon shall be the Great Tribulation such as the earth hath not seen before.

10 Let each of us search our ways and turn again unto the Lord. Lift up our hearts and the work of our hands unto the Lord in Heaven. He hath kept us from the hewn stone and built our faith upon the Corner Stone.

11 As new locals are established in the United States: seek out and ordain men of honest report and filled with the Holy Spirit and His Doctrine, to guide them and move the Work of God forward. Seek out and build new locals in the nation of America.

12 The Lord hath said, I will bringeth good on them that abide in His Word. Therefore, the Lord calls Yohana Joramu as a Disciple in Tanzania. The Lord calls to the responsibility of evangelist: Wilbad Abdaca and Paulo Nzumbe to labor among their brethren in Tanzania. His Spirit will be upon them in great measure to overcome the evil in that land.

13 Up ye servants[15] of the Lord! Bring forth the warning: the midnight cry. Awaken the virgins[16] and prepare them for the wedding of the Lord.

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[9] Message 93:9; Message 111:2; Message 87:15
[10] Message 87:17; Message 44:8
[11] Daniel 2:21
[12] Isaiah 52:15; Message 86:65
[13] Revelation 5:1-5
[14] Revelation 6:8
[15] Message 44:10
[16] Matt. 25:6; Message 85:30

14 The Lord is pleased with those who have stepped forward, taking up their calling and put on the armor of God. He shall anoint and bless them with power from on high and with His Spirit. He shall let His Light, His Understanding, and His Word go forth before them as in the days of old.

15 To my servants in Africa: thus saith the Lord, "I will plant you in your land and set my seal upon you for your protection. Before you stands an open door."

16 To my servants in the Philippines and India: My Grace and Word shall go before you and awaken many. You shall prosper as you go forth among the people and the Lord's Light shall go before you.

17 To my servants in Germany: Disciple Marks and Apostle Beck—the Lord knoweth your trials. He knoweth your hearts and the battle before you. Be of good cheer, for He shall let His Hand be upon you and will labor with you. As the indignation begins, He shall hide you with His Hand and His Grace.

18 With the Lord is counsel and understanding[17]. Who would counsel[18] the Lord? Who would tell Him how and when to speak? Where were you when He brought forth the heavens? Where were you when He directed the wind to blow and the waters to spring forth? Does man have the mind of God? Man cannot command God how and when to speak.

19 The Lord commanded you not to withhold the Word from His people. In your obedience to His command, the Lord is pleased with you and shall bless you. His people are thirsting for the living water that flows from the throne of God and the Lamb. His people shall be blessed and receive instruction and direction from His Message unto the children of God. Light and life shall once more again flow freely to His Church.

20 Worry not what those slow to understand and to heed, for in time their minds shall be enlightened and peace shall rule their lives and to all who rejoice at my coming.

21 As the Servants continue their journey unto Europe; go forth with joy and love as you carry unto them the words of life in His Word. That continent is in great need and the Lord knows those that will accept and those that will reject, never the less go in humility and in love.

22 In the days ahead plan to send an Apostle to the Philippines to ordain Roger Simpson to the responsibility of an Apostle, that the quorum may

[17] Job 12:13;
[18] Isaiah 40:13-14

function as the Lord hath designed and directed. Do not delay in this and the Lord will bless.

23 I am John the Baptist resurrected, the Elijah, the Messenger of the Covenant, sent to refine and purge His ministry from the doctrines of men and the traditions of man. This is my work. Who can claim more than this?

24 Give the Message to the brethren, the church----Publish the Message and place it with the rest in the book: The Word of the Lord; that all may know I have spoken the Lord's Words to all nations, tongues, and people. I will return until Christ returns for His Bride: The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message. Amen.

One-hundred Twenty Third Message

The Messenger of the Lord; the resurrected John the Baptist, appeared to me in my home in Grand Junction, Colorado at 6:20pm January 23, 2019. He was with me for approximately forty-five minutes. He spoke calmly and with authority; stopping at one point to add words, which I had omitted. As he finished giving me the message and was about to depart, he exhorted me to use wisdom with my health and told me the Lord shall protect me. – Norman Lyles

1 Behold, I come from the presence of the Lord. I am sent to bring His Message. I come not of myself, for the Lord has sent me to prepare His people for His soon coming. My message is that the work of the Lord might go unto the ends of the earth. All who obey shall be blessed.

2 Incline your hearts unto the Lord and walk in His ways. There hath not failed one word of His promises unto His people. He will not leave you, nor forsake you as you keep His commandments and His statutes. His judgments shall not fail.

3 There are those that have stumbled at a word, leaving them in darkness at noonday. See the blessing they could receive in attending services and carrying His Word among the people; yet, they seek to live as an island unto themselves—failing to assemble themselves with those believing and seeking fellowship. The Lord shall reprove them.

4 The Lord is gracious and merciful. He will not turn His face from you,

if you will return unto Him. The way of truth is set firm and the Lord will have His way with all. Shape your lives by the words I bring from the throne of God, and it will bring peace and deliverance. I speak His Words and His Words are just.

5 Thus saith the Lord, “I stand at the door and knock: if a man heareth My Voice and open the door, I will come unto him and bring forth understanding and blessings. The time of the anointing is here and soon I shall pour out My Spirit in great measure.”

6 The Lord is pleased with the humility and work of Apostle Robert Beck and Apostle Roger Simpson in the Philippines, and knows full well the burdens they have endured. Let the unity continue among the disciples as they labor to serve the people in the Philippines.

7 The righteous shall hold unto His word and His Way. He that hath clean hands and a pure heart shall come to understanding and know the strength of the Lord. If thou will be pure and upright; the Lord will make His habitation with thee.

8 The Lord rejoices for those who have remained faithful. He is pleased with the counsel and unity of the Apostles and Bishops. The work of Apostle Darrel Bellamy is held in deep respect and honor.

9 Let the leaders in each nation understand the needs of the flock, and feed those who are seeking the Lord and His Word. Now is the time to move forth among the people in this nation. Bring unto them the light, the truth, and eternal life in Christ. Great is the need to bring forth Christ’s Words among those who are wandering in darkness and the false doctrines of man.

10 Who shall go and who shall the Lord send to bring forth truth unto His people? I have called the servants and given the authority to help in this work; though they be few, even yet a great work can be done. Where are those who will be up and doing, qualifying themselves to be leaders.

11 Submit yourselves unto the ordinances of the Lord; for His ordinances endureth forever.

12 There are many seeking to bring forth restoration and earnestly desire to fulfill the Lord’s Will. Indeed, they understand the need for restoration. They are waiting with open minds and honest hearts. The Lord reaches out unto them by sending of His Messenger. His Words are true and the authority he brings is directly from the throne of God. Let them come forward and receive the Lord’s blessings and authority, which the Lord has commanded I bring to mankind.

13 The Lord hath appointed me to bring His Message. I am the messenger of the covenant. I am John the Baptist. I was resurrected after the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is the covenant. He is the truth, the light, and the way. He has sent me with His instructions, with His directions, and His authority. Who is man to claim more than this? Will men hear and remain faithful unto His Word?

14 Let the Bishops understand the needs of the people, both physical and spiritual. Great is the work before them. Christ has set their work before them and He shall grant unto them His strength and wisdom to accomplish it.

15 Let all pay their tithes that the Bishops may have the means to pour out blessings upon the work of the Lord and His people.

16 Oh, that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His miracles among His Children. Let all exalt Him in the congregation.

17 The Lord has heard the cries of His people and sent forth again His Message, to comfort and bless His children. He hath broken the gates and bonds of the devil and delivered them from destructions. He hath satisfied the longing soul and filled the hungry soul with goodness. Blessed be the Lord forever.

18 There is work at home, among the nations and the need is everywhere: let it be filled.

19 Plan to print the book, the Word of the Lord in the near future, as soon there will be a need for more books in this nation. Let the Assured Way continue to reach out unto the nations, that all may be blessed and encouraged. Let Apostle Edward Coffey labor as editor and have him appoint those to assist him as is needed.

20 As you read the Message, read also the words of Christ in the Bible. Read often the words of Alma in the Record of Nephites---for the same Lord caused they be written. The Lord has spoken and it shall come to pass. This nation shall be cleansed, and then it shall be Zion.

21 Give this Message to the brethren and the church. I shall return as the need be and the Lord commands. May the peace of the lord be with all. Amen.

One-hundred Twenty Fourth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me at 3pm March 22, 2019. I was reviewing baptismal forms and blessing forms which I had received from the printer, when he came up my stairs into my living room. He wore his same robe and the light of the resurrection shown round about him.

He smiled at me and said he was pleased the Lord had spared my life and given me strength. He handed me a writing tablet and told me he had come from the presence of the Lord with a message for the Church and I was to write as he commanded.

When he had finished, I felt very weak and overcome with emotion and he smiled and said I had been visited while I was in the hospital and anointed me. He told me the Lord knew full well my affliction and had kept His word to preserve me. He told me to be at peace and remain faithful unto the task, which I had been appointed.

As I sat reading the words that had been given, once again I was overcome with Spirit and gave thanks unto our Lord whose Mercy and goodness, He has imparted to each of us. I pray all who read His Message and His Words may understand the great love the Lord has for each of us. – Norman Lyles

1 Behold, my fellow servant, I have come unto you when your body is weak and Satan has sought to destroy your body. He knows the hour is late and darkness is gripping this nation and the world.

2 I am the messenger of the Lord. I am that Prophet, the risen John the Baptist. The Lord has sent me with words of warning and love for His people who are in need.

3 Hear ye nations and repent, for the Lord shall not spare those who continue to do evil. Men's hearts and tongues are filled with evil. The eyes of mankind are filled with lust and greed, and charity is nowhere to be found.

4 Satan has done his work, creating greed and strange desires among men and women. Repent ye who have become hardened and forgotten the law of God. He abhors those that shed innocent blood.

5 Know the Lord thy God. He is faithful unto those who knoweth and keepeth His Word. He is merciful and shall hideth His people who abideth in Him and faithful with His Power to shield His people from the wrath to come.

6 The Lord has called for men to come to the wedding. He hath not spoken in secret. Have ye eyes of flesh and seeth as a man seeth? Some

have said: my doctrine is pure and I am clean in mine eyes; yet God would speak and open your eyes. Who is man to speak the Will and Mind of God?

7 Nothing is hidden from the Lord. Night and day are the same unto God. His lamp searcheth the souls of all men and desires, the thoughts, and plans that move them.

8 Soon the Lord's people shall gather for a solemn assembly. Many have faced trials and sorrows. Many are longing and praying for answers and desiring to do His Will. The Lord knows those who's faith and trust are rooted in Him. He holds their prayers near unto Him and shall answer with love and power.

9 The Lord has seen those with great burdens, yet holding firm to the Work and the faith. He has seen your trials and carried you through your trials and Satan's fury to destroy your body. Remain steadfast and His love shall carry you through your burdens and your afflictions.

10 Let the Church understand the Will of the Lord. The Lord is God of all and all He alone has created. It is His will, the Church: His believers are one and not divided by boundaries, oceans, or traditions. Let the leaders be as one.

11 Behold, as you seek to labor in love and in unity, He shall labor among you and His people: the church, shall prosper. Let them understand the warnings and the promised destruction, which shall come for the wicked, the disobedient, and doubters; as well as the promises for the faithful.

12 As you prepare for the assembly, sanctify yourselves with repentance and in His Word and come forth in unity and in love. His Spirit shall bless all who come forward in humility, seeking His Will.

13 Behold the Lord knoweth them that serve Him, and know His Will, and seek to establish His Word. Deliverance shall come and the faithful shall stand. In the end every tongue will confess the Christ and rejoice in His glory. Fear not, for there is reward for those who endure to the end.

14 Give this message to the brethren, to the church, and to all the earth, that they will know I have spoken. I leave peace with you and unto all who shall call upon the Lord Jesus Christ. I shall return as the Lord Commands. Amen.

One-hundred Twenty Fifth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the Elijah, the resurrected John the Baptist, appeared to me in my home on June 7th, 2019 at 1:20 in the afternoon. I was studying and preparing for the coming general Assembly of the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message later this month. For several days I had felt the Spirit of the Lord in great measure and felt the Messenger John the Baptist would come soon.

He opened my front door and came up the stairs into my living room, as I sat reading my Bible on the sofa. He smiled and greeted me in the Lord. My tablet was on the sofa beside me as I was taking notes from the Scriptures. He took my tablet and turned a page and told me to write the Message He had brought from the Lord Jesus Christ.

He was with me until 2:30 in the afternoon. His entire being seemed to almost glow and He spoke in a deeper voice than mortal men. His eyes seemed to pierce my very soul, yet his very presence set my heart at peace.
He said some things to me of a personal nature not written here, to guide me and prepare me for the time that is ahead.

As I sat reading the Message, trying to absorb the details of it, I felt the importance of the moment and it left me weak and I sought the Lord in prayer for strength and understanding of the Words I had been given. I pray all who read this Message will understand and realize how merciful and gracious the Lord is to each of us.

Norman D. Lyles

1 I have come to you from the throne of God. He has sent me; I come not of myself. I am Elijah whom the Lord hath promised. I am the messenger of the covenant. Write the message I will give, for great is the responsibility I shall give you. I give words of encouragement and peace for the children, for the Church of Christ.

2 See those who have taken up their calling and are laboring with honor and humility. These are good men and the Lord holds them in high esteem. His Spirit will overshadow them and give them wisdom and strength that comes only from God.

3 The Lord has blessed the work of the hands of the faithful, and knoweth the steps of the faithful. He has blessed those who have gone forth among the people of all nations. He will not withhold His Blessing from those who will continue to go forth even in this nation, which He has blessed above all nations and will set forth His Temple in the days to

come.

4 The Lord honors and is pleased with the Disciples and Vice Bishops in the Philippines, India, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, and Germany. Let them continue their efforts and labor in humility and Unity. The Spirit of God will be with them in great measure.

5 The Lord knows those who have prepared their hearts and souls for the Assembly. Rejoice, for the Lord will manifest His Spirit among those who have prepared for the coming Assembly of the Lord's Church. The Lord is pleased with the handmaidens throughout the world, who have helped in translations, and insured the funds have gone to the needy; let them continue in their good work.

6 The Lord is aware of the needs throughout the world. There is a need in Nova Scotia for the Word to be taught and preached among the people there. In time the Lord will call two men to journey to that area. Let them prepare and set their homes in order, that nothing will prevent them from carrying the Word with the strength and power of the Lord. Who has prepared? Who is praying and ready to carry the Word and Plan of the Lord?

7 There will soon be a need for two men to labor and Assist Apostle Beck, Disciple Marks, and Evangelist Oleg with the work in Europe. God will send His Messenger to call those who will go for a time to aid and encourage the Work on that continent. The Lord will provide safety and protection and His Spirit to guide those who will go forth in Unity and love.

8 Where are those who are laboring to create locals in America? Let the quorums understand the needs within America and seek to provide missionary help to reach out to those in desperate need of the Word and His Spirit. Behold the harvest is white, yet the laborers are few and a great work is before them. It is time to preach repentance and baptism, for men need to be cleansed and find eternal life in the Lord. Let the work continue in all places. Let those who are willing, take the message to this nation and the world, come forward and prepare to step forward in faith, for this is a time of haste and the saints need to be gathered. Be not dismayed or discouraged, for the battle is not yours, but God's.

9 The Lord has witnessed the faith and humility of Norris Purifoy and his desire to be about that, which is pleasing unto the Lord. Let him be ordained as a Bishop in the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message. God will lift him up and guide him as he seeks to labor in unity with his brothers.

10 The Lord has long noticed the struggles and faithfulness of His Servant Apostle Larry Gosier Williams. Let him be encouraged and continue in his efforts on the radio, as his effort is pleasing unto the Lord. The Spirit of the Lord shall be upon him.

11 Behold, the Lord hath created mankind in His Own Image. He hath given unto them the ability to reason, to build, to understand, and affect the world in which they live. The Lord has given unto man the ability to create: however, mankind has taken these gifts and used them not for good, rather for evil. Mankind has traveled into space and the depths of the ocean, and learning the secrets of healing the body, which the Lord has created. Mankind however, has used these gifts of creation for destruction. Mankind has taken the creation of life, wherein the lord has given sight, hearing, and a heart that beats and provides life for the body, which contains the soul, which the Lord hath created and sought to cast aside those gifts, and shed innocent blood; destroying the soul, while yet it abides in the womb which God hath made to support and nurture the soul which God hath made. Mankind has cast it all aside, instead seeking to ignore the Lord's Creation and claimed their own will more important than all, which God has created. This is an abomination before the Lord.

12 The Lord Himself has walked among His own showing them the way and Word and has imparted unto man the ability to impart it unto others who have not heard or received the Way and the Word of the Lord. He has given unto man the responsibility to impart the Word and lead mankind to life and Salvation. Yet, even still there are those who stand still at noonday, while yet there is light and time to carry the Word providing salvation unto mankind. Where is the love? Why stand ye still, while yet it is day and the Power of God has been imparted to those who will humble themselves to reach out unto the lost? Where is the urgency to be obedient unto the Will and calling of the Lord Jesus Christ? The Lord has given His Promise and His Power and His Spirit will remain with the faithful.

13 Be not lifted up in the pride of your hearts. Set not your hearts upon the riches and vain things of this world. Remember the Spirit of God will not dwell in unholy temples, neither can anything unclean and filthy enter into the Kingdom of God. See the Lord and humble yourselves before Him that your garments may be spotless, even as the garments of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were spotless.

14 He that is contrary in the doctrine of Christ, will find rejection and the wrath of God. Do not be deceived, neither the darkness of night, nor the wealth of this world can hide your actions and your thoughts from the

Lord. Incline thy ear, and hear; open thy eyes that thou might see, and set thy heart to receive that which the Lord is speaking today.

15 Soon the Lord shall break in pieces the mighty men without number, and set others in their stead. The Lord shall strike them as wicked men in open sight of all men. Nations shall clamor for peace; yet there shall be no peace, even as the Lord hath warned you: the pale horse has been let to bring destruction upon destruction.

16 Hear ye the people of the Lord, thus saith the Lord, 'I say unto you that if were not for the prayers uttered by the righteous of the world, ye would even now be visited with utter destruction. It would have been for each of you as in the days of Noah, had not their prayers reaching up unto the courts of heaven, and His patience and Mercy been extended unto each of you.' Many have prayed for you and the prophets of old longed to see this day in which you live.

17 The Lord knows the heart of Apostle Terry Laws and knows of his desire to do the Work of the Lord. Let him be encouraged and uplifted. Let there be no doubt within his heart and mind, for the Lord will honor his efforts and give him strength and understanding for that which is before him.

18 Soon the Lord will fill the Quorum of Apostles. Let each who are called and ordained, set their homes and lives in order. God will provide and guide. God understands and knows the needs of the homes and families, as they prepare themselves and their homes; He will grant unto them wisdom.

19 Peace like a river shall flow among the faithful. Those who have struggled with health and trials of this world, and have known the sorrow of the loss of loved ones, shall soon find a time of rejoicing and renewing of hope, for the Lord is merciful.

20 There are many who are seeking the will and plan of God in their lives. Their love for the Word and the Lord are not for naught, as the Lord is mindful of these and answers their prayers and faith. Therefore, the Lord answers and calls them to come forward leaving the past behind and walk in the path of Christ receiving baptism in the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message, and taking up their calling of the Lord. Let Jeff Runyard, Paul Martin, Nick Weinrich, and Cesar A. Irizarry-Rivera come forward through the waters and be ordained as Elders. The Lord will pour out His Spirit in great measure as they come in humility and obedience unto the Lord.

22 The Lord has sent His instruction and warnings before His people as they gather in a solemn assembly. He has kept His promises. His promises do not fail and He will bless them as they come forward in humility.

22 The Lord has sent me with this message from His Throne. This is my work, for this cause I was resurrected and commanded to carry this message unto His Church. Give it unto the brethren and unto the Church. Place the message in the book the Word of the Lord and send it to the world that all may know the Lord has sent His Word among the nations. I shall be with Christ when He returns. Let the people of the Lord be at peace and secure in their salvation. I will come again as the Lord commands. Amen.

One-hundred Twenty Sixth Message

I was sitting in my home listening to the news of a large earthquake, which affected my sister's home in Ridgecrest. California and praying for her safety and that of her husband and home. The Messenger of the Lord, the Elijah, the resurrected John the Baptist, appeared in my living room. I still had some things scattered about the couch where I was seated that I was using to prepare for this coming Sunday's Service.

I obtained my tablet, which I was using for notes for Sunday and he commanded me to write the message he had carried from the throne of God.

He was dressed in the same robe he has worn in each of the visits and the light that radiated from him filled the entire room. He placed his hand once again upon my right shoulder and greeted me as brothers do greet one another. I could feel a warmth within my very being and a joy and a peace that goes beyond my ability to convey it here.

When he had finished giving me the Message from the Lord; he spoke briefly of the conditions of the world and the hour we live in and also gave unto me words of private nature for guidance and to bring peace. He was with me for about an hour, arriving at 1:20 pm on July 4, 2019. -- Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold I come at the commandment of the Lord Jesus. I bring peace unto all who believe and follow the Word of God. This is the Lord's

Church and shall be His Bride when she is prepared and He returns.

2 I am the Elijah, sent to prepare His Bride. I speak not my words, but the Words and Will of the Lord. His Message is one of love and shall bring peace to all who heed and obey.

3 Behold how good and pleasant it is for the brethren to dwell in Unity[1]. The Lord has witnessed those who came in peace and Unity at the Assembly and will heal the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds; if they will humble themselves before Him and seek His everlasting love and forgiveness.

4 Behold, thus saith the Lord, "I send an Angel before thee to keep thee in the way[2], and bring thee into a place I have prepared. Obey His voice and provoke him not; for my name is in Him and I have sent Him, and the words He speaks are My Words. The words he carries are as fullers soap and a refiner's fire. If you obey His voice and do all I speak; then I will be an enemy to thy enemies. My Angel shall go before thee, and shall utter words that shall protect and guide thee."

5 The Lord hath done that which he had devised; and has caused His Word to move among the nations[3] with power and truth. The Lord will do good unto them that wait upon Him, and to the souls that seeketh Him.

6 Acquaint now thyself with the Lord and be at peace: thereby His Mercy shall come upon thee. Lay His Words upon thy heart[4].

7 The Lord is aware of the need and hour. He has sent His Lamp[5] among His people and shall not forsake them. As the Lord speaks, answer by your actions.

8 Let Apostle Larry Gosier Williams and Apostle Timothy Gosier, prepare themselves to journey to Nova Scotia this spring to carry the Word of the Lord to those people. Let them labor for a time and return as the Work in America has need of them. He will prepare the way before them as they go forth in humility and love; He will magnify His Spirit in the words they carry to those people.

9 This life is the time for men to prepare to meet God; this life is the day

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[1] Psalms 133:1-3
[2] Exodus 24:20-23
[3] Mess. 119:7; Mess. 82:8
[4] 2 Timothy 2:15
[5] Psalms 119:105

to perform their labors[6]. Do not contend against the Holy Ghost but receive it. Take upon you the name of Christ and humble thyself before Him that ye may live in thanksgiving all the days of your life. Rejoice for the many blessings and mercies He has given unto thee.

10 Let the Church truly prepare this nation of America to be His Bride. Demonstrate your love through your actions of carrying the Word with love and power as you build locals, for it is the Lord's Will that none be lost and all be warned.

11 Make straight thy ways. Show forth the love of Christ as you preach and teach repentance among the flocks. Let all things be done in truth and justice. Let none speak lightly of the message and the Word, which has come from God. All that do so have no place among the ministry of the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message. Choose this day whom ye shall serve.

12 I have come to you in Peace and in Love. I am the Messenger of the Lord. You are to give this message unto the Brethren, unto the Church, and unto the World. If some reject the Word, they reject not you, but the Lord. Those who reject the Words I bring shall not be found among the faithful of the Lord.

13 "The days will come, all nations will call you blessed, for ye shall be a delightsome people," saith the Lord.

14 Be of courage ye flocks of the nations, for the Lord thy God shall labor with you and provide His Hand upon thee and protect thy paths. I have come with His Words: to direct, to bless, and guide. I shall return as He commands and until the Work is finished. Amen.

[6] Mess. 106:8; Mess. 103:22

One-hundred Twenty Seventh Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the resurrected John the Baptist appeared to me this day October 2, 2019, at six pm in my home in Grand Junction, Colorado.

My room was filled with the light of his Presence and remained within my home for some time after his departure. He was with me for over an hour. He spoke with authority, pausing as I wrote his words. His presence brought within me a peace and filled my heart with joy. He encouraged me once again to continue to be aware of all his words of personal advice he had said unto me of a personal nature. He told me the Lord would strengthen me for the labors which the Lord would require of me. He said the Lord was not finished with my labors overseas and in this nation and would grant me strength for the days ahead.

As he turned to leave, he said, "be of courage for the lord is with thee and shall uphold thee." And smiled as he departed. – Norman D Lyles

1 Behold my fellow servant, I have come unto you from the presence of the Lord, from the courts of heaven. Glory and Honor be unto God whom is the author and finisher of all things. I am the Elijah[1], sent to make straight the ways of mankind. I am That Prophet. This is the midnight cry, prepare and make His Paths straight. I am sent to cleanse, purify, and bring forth guidance unto the Lord's Church.

2 The Message I bring unto you is concise[2] and in your language that there can be no doubt. I bring directions at the Lord's command to warn and prepare men to meet the Lord.

3 Know ye not that ye are in the Hands of God? Know ye not that He hath all power, and His Commandments and His Will has no bounds and shall never[3] fail!

4 The Lord hath designed and given unto each of His Ministry their responsibilities[4]. The Lord's house is a house of order. He has given unto the Apostles their charge and placed them to lead His Church, having a special witness. He has given the Bishops great responsibility to look to

[1] Malachi 4:5-6; John 1:23; Matt. 49:12; Matt. 25:1-13
[2] Mess. 98:18; Mess. 109:9
[3] Matt. 28:16-18; Matt. 24:35
[4] Mess. 29:3-7

the needs of the Church and to labor under the direction of the Twelve Apostles. The Apostles are in subjection to the Lord and His Commandments.

5 Tithing has been a law since the time of Cain and Able. Tithing is a matter of love and demonstrated obedience given unto the Lord willingly as obedient children[5]; showing forth their humility before the Lord. The Lord will bless the faithful and they shall not want.

6 All of the tithes belong to the Lord. He has given unto the world all they have; without His Grace and His Love, nothing exists. He has given unto the Bishops to oversee and look to the needs of the people and His Church. Let the bishops lead by example through paying their own tithes, for if they do less they cannot lead or expect the Lord's blessings in their lives or for the flock.

7 Let all understand the Lord's Will and His commandments in His Laws. Let all understand and obey the Articles of Faith and Practice.

8 Let those who desire to carry the Word unto the nations prove themselves through their labors in the land, which the Lord has blessed them to live within. Let them understand the Will and Plan of the Lord, which He has sent unto His people in this day and this time[6].

9 Long the Lord has waited for obedience to that which He has directed. He is true to His promises. He has made the way before those whom He sends and peace will follow the steps of the men who go forth in obedience and in humility unto the Lord's commands. As I speak to you, I speak to all who will hear the words of truth and salvation, bringing victory and deliverance.

10 The Lord has witnessed the faith of those who have endured much and moved among those in their homelands. Be not afraid, for the Lord is with you and shall uphold you in the face of your enemies and grant unto you His Power and His Protection. Fear in nothing[7], neither be confounded or ashamed, for thy Maker is the Lord of Hosts and thy Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel.

11 The Lord will honor and bring forth success as Apostle Fred Mikangi and Apostle Peter Wekesa Simiyu, journey to the nation of Malawi, spreading the Gospel into that great nation. Let the General Church Bishopric provide support for the journey and for their families. The

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[5] Malachi 3:10
[6] Mess. 116:15
[7] Mess. 52:1; Mess. 59:19; 2 Tim. 1:7; Psalms 69:6

Lord shall gather the willing and breathe upon them by His Spirit and with soul winning power.

12 The Lord has witnessed the great need in Europe, and the storm clouds overshadowing the eastern nations of that great continent. Even yet there are men of courage and willingness who stand ready to move the Lord's Work forward and sound the warning. Unto these, shall the Lord send forth His ministry to open their eyes and hearts to the Word of the Lord and unto His Will and Plan.

13 It is the Lord's Will that Bishop John Githinji of Kenya and Apostle Terry Laws of America, plan to journey to Europe to assist the work on that continent, working in unity with Apostle Robert Beck, as he provides the guidance for the needs in Europe. Let them also, along with Apostle Beck journey to England and help Michael Stephan Clarke become part of the Lord's Church and Work in England. It important those coming to assist Apostle Robert Beck, labor as one in unity. Let them use wisdom and be saving in their travels and in their lives, remembering the needs of the people.

14 Let the Word be taught in its completeness that men will find redemption and the joy of the Lord[8]. Only those filled with the Truth of the Word and who are pure in heart and humble before the Lord shall be able to stand and do the Lord's Work.

15 You have witnessed the doubts of men filled with the pride of their own wisdom, and heard their words justifying their doubts seeking to darken the minds of others[9]. Their words are as dust in the water springs of the Lord. The Lord has spoken and sent forth His Messenger and His Words shall stand. Hear ye, and give ear; be not proud: for the Lord hath spoken.

16 The Lord has spoken by the prophets and multiplied visions[10], and sent forth His Messenger to guide His people. His promises have never failed, and His Church still stands a light unto the world for those in need. Be of courage and hold fast to the Lord's Words in the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Message, which the Lord has sent unto the earth in this world today.

17 Praise the Lord who giveth rain in the latter days upon the earth, and

[8] Matt. 5:8; 1 Peter 1:22; Mess. 18:9; Mess. 9:4
[9] Mess 73:5; Mess. 126:11
[10] Hosea 12:10; Rev. 22:6

causes water springs within the deserts of mankind[11], who pant in thirst for the living water of the Lord. He will not neglect His people, nor forget his promises unto His Church.

18 The Spirit and the Bride say come[12]. Let him that heareth say come. Let him that is athirst come. Let all who will obey and walk therein take freely of the water of life. The Lord has broken the bands of death and brought forth His Salvation and redemption through His Sacrifice upon the cross of Calvary. His Spirit is calling unto all men to come unto life and life everlasting.

19 The Lord Christ Jesus has sent His Message unto you my fellow servant and you must give it unto His Ministry, His Church, and unto the World. Peace be unto all and I shall return as the Lord commands. Place the Lord's Words in this Message with the others in the Book the Word of the Lord, as His Words are truth from the first Message to His Servant Otto Fetting, through this Message I have brought unto you today. Amen.

[11] Psalms 107:35; John 4:10; Jer. 17:13
[12] Revelation 22:17

One-hundred Twenty Eighth Message

The Spirit of the Lord awakened me a bit before three in the morning on March 20th, 2020 and I went upstairs to my living room to pray for my brothers who were laboring in Europe for the Lord. My concern was great for these brothers due to the Pandemic, which had become crisis level in Europe and really world-wide.

As I was praying the Messenger of the Lord appeared in my living room and laid his hand upon my shoulder as I was praying.
Behold he said, the Lord is mindful of thee and knoweth the needs of thy brothers.

He said the Lord had told us of the pale horse had been let upon the earth and now we were witnessing the power and destruction, sickness and death of this plague.

Let the brothers return to their homes for a time and then return on their journey, as it becomes more safe. Let all know the timing of the Lord is not the timing of man. The Lord has opened doors, however the destruction of the pale horse must awaken the people and have his hour as well.

Everything I have brought unto you is transpiring and you must seek the Lord to understand His timing.

Now write the message I shall give you as the Lord as waited for your strength to be sufficient to receive it. – Norman Lyles

1 Behold, I have come unto you as the Lord hath appointed. This is the day wherein the light of the Lord beams unto His children, even in power from God. I am sent to bring forth His Word, and it must be obeyed. The Spirit of peace will come upon all who obey and do the Lord's Will.

2 I am the promised Elijah[1], sent to cleanse and purify the ministry that they would offer an offering of righteousness unto the Lord. It is the Words of the Lord that shall cleanse and bring forth a sanctification within the Church, allowing the bride to be adorned in white at the coming of the groom, the Christ, unto His Church.

3 God is not a man, is not capable of a lie[2]. He is not human, does not change His mind. Has He ever failed to keep His Word? Is there ever a promise He has not carried through? Praise Him for His faithfulness trust Him for His Mercy, and rejoice in His goodness.

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[1] Malachi 3:1-3; Revelation 3:5
[2] Numbers 23:19; 2 Chronicles 6:41

4 Worry not about the things, which you have no control: Let not despair and contention come upon you. I have come unto you when you are weak in body and discouraged over things which you have no control. Behold, the Lord God hath supported thee in times of trouble and persecution; and hath lifted thee from the depths of despair. He knows your heart and your thoughts even before you cry out unto Him.

5 Let humility be your mantle[3]. Let patience guide your thoughts. Do not fear those who are slow to understand and to follow the Word, for in time the truth will awaken the sleeper and the Word shall manifest its truthfulness in power.

6 Many in this nation are trembling in fear[4] and falling into division, as they seek to entrust men with responsibility to lead and direct the political fortunes which seem to control the nation; however failing to seek the Lord to rule and over rule in such matters. Men are running to and fro, seeking their own will and ideas, and failing to place all in the hands of the Lord.

7 Let the people who would be the children of God, keep His commandments and observe the ordinances of the Lord.

8 He turned to me at this juncture and said, "The Lord knows your suffering both inward and out, and has set His hand upon thee for protection and comfort."

9 Take my hand and I will show you a vision. We were lifted immediately upward from my home, from the earth. As we were lifted I was aware of thousands of souls moving all around me toward the heavens. We traveled eastward away from the American nation. We paused briefly as the thousands continued toward heaven. I asked the Messenger who are these that have passed us toward heaven. The sadness within his eyes was deeper than I have ever witnessed anywhere. He said these are the souls of the unborn ripped from their mother's womb. As he spoke I witnessed an Angel descending unto earth with a large vial[5] in his hands. I heard audibly a voice saying: behold the wrath of God coming upon the earth.

10 He took my hand and we moved on eastward away from the American continent. Finally, we halted our travel; it seemed to me we were suspended high above the earth and to my right I could see the

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[3] Mess. 23:10; Mess. 59:21; Mess. 82:8; Mess. 103:14
[4] Mess. 44:6; Mess. 86:39
[5] Rev. 16:1; Rev. 15:7; Rev. 21:9; Mess. 29:25-26;

continent of Africa. Ahead of me and below I could see Israel, India, Iraq and Iran. To my left I could see the continent of Europe, and expanding as far as I could see forward was Russia and China.

11 To the south and past the vast deserts of northern Africa; I beheld Angels with flaming swords[6], declaring we are here to protect this continent's oil and wine[7] and those who have committed their lives unto the Lord from the indignation that is coming, as the pale horse[8] brings forth the vengeance of the Lord upon those who have followed the false prophet.

12 Looking forward and down I could see the rivers Tigris and Euphrates and it seemed as if there were millions of paths filled with footprints leading west from them. The Messenger said, behold the path of the kings of the east[9]. They have begun their journey to Israel and Italy. Throughout their path, was carnage and horror; you could hear the people's cries and the stench of their suffering. The streams and rivers were red with blood.

13 To the north of these rivers and past the high peaks there were two more armies[10] moving westward and the noise of battle seemed to envelope and fill every space. The armies seemed to pause briefly at the border of Poland in a line that extended far to the south as they formed a line from Poland to Romania. The armies did not seem from just one nation and yet seemed to move as one.

14 Those that rose to oppose them were also from many nations, and I could see the American flag among them. The noise of mechanized vehicles could be heard everywhere both day and night, as aircraft darted to and fro seemingly to taunt each other.

15 Above all of this and from the heavens above I could see an Angel flying toward earth with a large vial in his hand, and again I heard a voice from heaven: behold the wrath of God.

16 It seemed to me looking toward the west side of Europe I could see millions of women and children fleeing in terror with only the clothes on their backs, looking horrified and weeping children could be heard over every other sound; only the ocean lay before them.

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[6] Mess. 46:10;
[7] Rev. 6:6;
[8] Rev. 6:7-8
[9] Rev. 16:12-14; Mess. 50:12
[10] Mess. 29:23-24; Mess. 45:28;

17 Directly below I could see Israel[11], and on every side the armies had gathered, and in the sea I could see ships with American flags plowing the sea to provide shelter to Israel. Aircraft circled Israel as if to form an umbrella.

18 The Messenger said, you see the results of Sin, Greed, the false prophet, and men without mercy. Soon the armies shall move and when it ends sorrow shall be multiplied upon sorrow, and the strength of the armies shall be no more. See what men have brought upon themselves, failing to humble themselves before the Lord. Horror and sorrow shall abound in everyplace I have shown you. The wrath of the Lord shall know no bounds and men shall beg for the mercy of death, but yet the end is not yet; for following the Great Tribulation, shall the Lord come with His Armies from heaven and destroy the armies of Satan and the false prophet and Satan shall be cast into prison for one thousand years.

19 As we turned back facing west I could see the American Continent.

20 The Messenger said unto me, can this nation[12] be spared what you have witnessed below you? Do you feel that the judgment of God will leave those who have shed innocent blood, who have whored after strange flesh, and sought to place what the Lord abhors into the ministries and sanctuaries and call them the Lord's House? What God hath ordained and blessed to bring forth children has been defiled by man and by this nation. Even as he spoke these words: I could see the Angel of the Lord poised to pour out the contents of the vial upon the American nation.

21 The cries of those below reached unto the heavens and my tears flowed like a river, as my heart felt as if it would burst. Never had I felt such pain, dreamed or thought of such a sight or sound. I wept bitterly as I cried unto the Lord for the people of my nation.

22 The Words seemingly in fire rose above the American nation saying: the Justice of the Lord: for He must have His Zion[13] cleansed, for here He shall set His Temple, Here He shall allow His Word to go forth in Mercy and Love and it must be pure.

23 The Messenger took my hand and returned me to my home. The pain within my chest was more than I felt I could bear. He took my hand and said write that which I have shown you, for it shall soon come to pass.

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[11] Mess. 45:35-36; Mess. 142:39
[12] Mess. 22:15; Mess. 104:9; Mess. 142:40-41
[13] Mess. 76:8; Mess. 36:3

Let it be a warning and an awakening unto the Lord's Church. The Lord will not delay His Judgment to satisfy the foolishness of man. He has warned you of this day through His servant Otto Fetting and again through His Servant Draves, and now he has sealed the page through this vision. He has given unto you a warning unto the nations. What you have witnessed shall transpire without fail. Those who deny it shall perish in their folly. This is the day to repent, this is the day to turn from sin and walk in the Law and Truth of the Lord Jesus Christ.

24 The Messenger said during the thousand year reign[14] of Christ upon the earth the servants of the Lord shall move among the nations and preach unto those whom have not known the Lord or had an opportunity to know of salvation; that they may have a chance to know the Lord and have salvation. There shall be peace during this time and Satan shall be bound and have no power upon the earth. During this time there shall be no Satan, no death, no tears, and no sorrow, and no birth. Millions of innocents have had their lives taken before they had an opportunity to know the Lord Jesus Christ and He is Just and His Judgment is Just. This coming time of peace, is the Mercy and Love of the Lord Jesus Christ, unto those who have had no chance to come unto Him.

25 The Messenger then said unto me, the time is short before these events shall transpire. Even now as the Lord has sent forth His Servants to Europe, Malawi, and Nova Scotia, to carry the warning with the purity and fullness of His Word; He is preparing His ministry to impart His Word unto His Church in great power and understanding.

26 The Lord knows your heart, your preparation, and your desire to be obedient unto His Will and His commands. He has prepared you to move once again to the nations and will soon commission another brother to accompany you unto the nations in great need of preparation and training to fulfill the Will and Plans of the Lord for these nations in these perilous times. He will set this journey in motion at His Direction and in His time.

27 Remember the captivity of the people of God. Surely thou must remember how the Lord had led them out from bondage. Even yet this day the Lord has sent His Word through His Messenger, to lead His people in the way of righteousness and truth; that all may abide in the security and salvation of the Lord Jesus Christ.

28 I have come unto you at the Lord's command, in the Lord's time: to bring forth direction and peace among those without peace and to those

[14] Rev. 20:1-3

who desire respite from the chaos and confusion which abounds within this world today. See the fear and panic brought forth by the pandemic[15] that has come upon this world today.

29 I have sent forth my ambassadors unto Nova Scotia and Europe and opened the doors before them. From out of darkness cometh light and a healing balm unto those in need. I have sent them before the storm that is coming upon mankind. I have sent a warning and a gathering, a bidding unto the wedding feast of the Lord. Will mankind hear it?

30 Remember the things the Lord has said unto thee. Read the messages, study them, and know the will of the Lord. Seek to save yourselves from the things that are coming to pass. Take no part in the contentions of the world, allowing your mind to be at peace, that the Spirit of God will dwell within you. Prepare your hearts and mind to receive the words of the Lord.

31 In the days ahead an Apostle will be added unto the Quorum, as there is a need also: a Bishop to the Quorums. The Lord has prepared these men and will bless all who seek to labor in unity to accomplish the Lord's Will and Work.

32 That which the Lord hath sent unto you from the courts of heaven is as valid today as when it was first spoken. My Servant Otto Fetting, was obedient unto the trust which the Lord had placed upon him. Read again the twenty-sixth Message; the direction and instruction given unto the Church that the Lord's people might prosper and those called to lead, have guidance how to labor within their ministry.

33 That which the Lord hath planted shall stand and the winds of hell will not prevail against it. The Lord, in the days to come, will send forth two Apostles unto the vineyard to lead and direct the Work of the Lord in the world. They will come to prune, to correct, and to direct as the Lord instructs. The Lord's House is a house of order. Let all work within the Will and directions of God. Even as the storm clouds gather throughout the world; the Lord is preparing these two Apostles to move once again to the nations to awaken and prepare His ministry to move the work forward in the Lord's Will and Plan. In the days ahead He shall direct their movements among the vineyard. Let the Church, her people, and the leadership find joy in obedience to the will and plan of the Lord.

34 The Lord is pleased with the work and humility of His servant Apostle Edward Coffey. Let him be encouraged in knowing the eye of

[15] Rev. 18:4

the Lord is upon him.

35 The Unity within the Bishops is pleasing unto the Lord and a blessing unto the Church worldwide.

36 Let the quorums counsel together in this work of love and salvation, understanding their great responsibility unto the flock, the children of God. As you men understand and place first the needs of the flock, great things will transpire and doors shall open before you that once were closed.

37 Be encouraged and uplifted as you labor for the master. He is mindful of thee. He shall be gracious unto thee and merciful unto His people. Give this message unto the Apostles, unto the Church, and unto the world. I shall come again as the Lord commands. I bring peace and love from the Lord unto all that seek the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

One-hundred Twenty Nineth Message

On June 12, 2020, I had laid my head down to rest a bit in the afternoon; when the Messenger of the Lord touched my right shoulder and startled me, saying Awaken! He wore the same robe he had worn all along, His entire being had a glow about him and he handed me a tablet and a pen commanding me to write.

He paused several times allowing me to complete writing the words he had spoken. Correcting me when necessary. Several times my emotions overcame me as his spirit and words were so very strong. He would smile and allow me to gather myself, then continue to speak.

His eyes seemed to almost have a glow to them, looking into my very soul, and I could feel a deep joy within him as he delivered the Message unto me.

For a short time he spoke unto me words of encouragement and helping me to understand events transpiring in our nation. Those I have not written, as they were simply for my personal understanding and preparation. He was with me for just under an hour and the peace that filled my soul I cannot began to express.

--- Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1 Awaken! Arise and write the Message, which the Lord has given. He has sent me unto thee at this hour to speak unto His People, to bring forth

light and understanding[1]. I am the Elijah, the Prophet of the Highest, the Messenger of the Covenant, sent to bring a warning and an understanding unto mankind.

2 The cries of the people have risen from the earth as smoke unto the heavens. The Lord's mercy and love reaches out this day unto His people as a healing balm to bring peace and understanding. The Lord knows those who have sought to make a bond and a commitment unto Him, and those who have rejected His Word and become an abomination[2] in His sight.

3 See those who would call evil good and good evil[3]. See those who magnify themselves as righteous and the righteous as evil. See those who justify darkness as a cover for their evil deeds, allowing themselves to be portrayed as men of character, while walking in the darkness at noonday.

4 Behold! You have witnessed the fulfillment of the Prophecies I have sent through my Messenger unto you. I brought you a warning from the Lord in 1932[4], again in 1939[5], again in 1968[6], and again this year 2020[7]. Have ye turned a deaf ear unto that which is ahead? Have you turned a listening ear and a willing spirit of obedience to heed and obey the instructions the Lord has sent? Choose this day the Lord.

5 Thus saith the Lord, 'I have heard your suffering and your cries in anguish of your souls and have reached out my hand unto you with words of enlightenment and encouragement. Let those with ears to hear and hearts to receive, lift up your hearts and hands and walk upright before the lord, obeying His Word and seeking repentance.'

6 The Lord has sent a warning unto the Churches that the tribulation of the Church has long been since the coming of the white horse[8] spoken of in Revelation, whose coming with a bow was to conquer and this continues today. Once the seal has been broken, the horror of it shall be upon the earth until Christ returns and defeats the devil.

7 Even in the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message today, which the Lord is restoring upon the earth today; you witness those who have

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[1] Psalms 119:30; 1 Thes. 5:5; Mess. 30:8; Mess. 39:5; Mess. 53:16
[2] Mess. 12:4
[3] Isaiah 5:20; Mess. 41:5
[4] Message 29 (vision)
[5] Message 45 (full message)
[6] Message 86 (full message)
[7] Message 128 (full message)
[8] Rev. 6:1-2; Mess. 122:9

sought to bring tribulation upon the faithful and have sought to divide and cause division[9] to harm the innocent, and those who have chosen to follow the words today from the throne of God, sent through His Messenger.

8 When you witness these things the Lord has told you to rejoice as His Second coming is near at hand.

9 Do not say the Lord has not spoken, for He has spoken and He shall speak even greater and more severe[10], for the wicked shall be exposed and suffer and those who are following the Lord shall witness His Power and Peace as He provides guidance and safety unto them.

10 Fear not man who is not filled with humility and truth[11], and fighting against my coming and the Lord's Plans, as all such know nothing of the meaning of the Scriptures.

11 Mankind must live by every word that proceedeth from the throne of God. God is the creator and judge of all things and that which He hath proclaimed shall happen, and none can deny it or prevent it.

12 Soon a way shall open and once again for those called to move to Nova Scotia and the Lord shall give unto them power from on high. He shall put His Words and His Will in their minds and in their mouths and they shall proclaim His Word with power. The time is at hand that mankind must be warned the world prepared. Satan knows his time is short and in desperation he shall strive to disrupt and discourage the work of the Lord, however Satan also knows that Christ is the Lord God who cast him from heaven and he has no power against the Lord. Mankind must understand that in as much as they walk in the Lord and are obedient unto His commandments; that Satan has no power[12] over them.

13 Soon also will the way open in Europe for the brothers to continue their journey. The Lord will not forsake them and He shall be with them in great power and understanding to fill the people in Europe with hope and salvation. They will carry the Word to England and those whom they lay hands on in England shall gain in strength, understanding and go forth from their homes to enlighten and give hope to that nation.

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[9] 1 Corinthians 1:10; Mess. 26:12; Mess. 55:5; Mess. 127:15
[10] Mess. 97:8
[11] Mess. 88:12
[12] Mess. 113:11

14 Turn ye today and discern[13] them that be the Lord's and them that serve Him not. They that serve Him shall have the right to the Tree of Life.

15 Nations shall know that I have been sent of God[14]. I am the Prophet of the Highest, sent to bring His Message, and I will be with Christ as He returns to earth.

16 The pale horse who has been let upon the earth: his purpose is to shake and awaken. If the Lord had not allowed it, he could not have come forth. His destruction, although it is indeed horrible; is allowed because of man's unfaithfulness unto the Lord and mankind feeling they are equal unto the Lord.

17 Read again the words I brought to Otto Fetting in the third message, for therein the Lord has foreshadowed the Church that is in the world today. His instructions then are as relevant today, as when He gave them to Otto Fetting.

18 The Lord will send many of you His Authority. He that will be humble and obedient unto the Word today, shall be counted among those faithful and worthy. Let humility be your mantle, and your strength be found not of yourself and your knowledge, rather in the Lord Jesus Christ.

19 The Lord's ministry must labor with all men in love, not seeking to condemn any regardless of their lack of understanding, rather seek to save to the uttermost. The Lord would have that none would be lost. He came that the sinner would be saved and the lost would find refuge in His Word and in His Love.

20 The Lord has witnessed a need within the office of Bishop and therefore has called Willie Coffey to join with those presently laboring in this calling. The Lord has seen his humility and his faith and will stand him up to help the people and strengthen his fellow laborers in the Bishop's office. Let them show forth humility and Unity for all to witness. Let it be said see how they love one another and even seek the lost sheep.

21 It is the Lord's Will and Plan that while there is yet time, He send forth the two Apostles unto the world to fulfill His Plan and Authority. Indeed the time is short before the folding in of the Great Tribulation and

[13] Mess. 87:20; Mess. 88:16
[14] Mess. 89:7

in spite of the great dangers that are present, the Lord shall send His angels before these men as they labor at His Direction and in His Time at His Instruction. The Lord has prepared their hearts and their souls and His Power shall be upon them. It is the Lord's Will Apostle Norman D. Lyles and Apostle Larry Gosier Williams move unto the Philippines, India, Africa, and England early in 2021 to carry the Lord's Word and provide necessary guidance, corrections, instructions, and bring forth understanding among the Churches in those nations.

22 As these two apostles go forth they are to ordain Disciple Jai Singh to the office of Bishop, that India may learn to govern their own financial affairs in conjunction with the Bishops in America and Africa. They will also ordain an apostle in India, which shall be named before their departure on this journey. There is much to be accomplished on the continent of Africa and in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, and Malawi. The Brothers will require much help from Apostles Fred Mikangi and Peter Simiyu. Let them prepare their hearts, minds, and homes for the coming of the brothers the Lord is sending unto them.

23 There is much correction and teaching needful in India, and there is much to be understood. The work there is of great importance. Though life be difficult and conditions harsh, the Lord loves these who labor where poverty and trials abound.

24 The Lord is greatly pleased with the work of His Disciple Abraham in India and shall provide him with strength and encouragement, and shall overshadow his family with love.

25 The Lord looks with honor and blessings to Disciple Manfred Marks, who has labored long and faithfully in Germany.

26 Indeed the Lord knows the trials and efforts of His Apostle Beck in Germany. Let him be encouraged and uplifted for all his efforts have not gone unnoticed.

27 Where is the obedience to the Lord's commandment to build locals in this nation of America? Let the Bishops who are entrusted to care for the needs of the people, awaken and lead by example to help build up locals in this nation. Be ye not slothful in this time, wherein the Lord has shaken this nation with Virus and chaos among her people. This a time of leadership, wherein the work of the Bishops must be demonstrated by faithfulness, courage, and sacrifice, bringing the gospel unto the people. Let those whom I have called and given this responsibility be about their calling and purpose; in caring for the needs of the people: let those who are called uplift and provide an effort to build up locals in this nation.

28 This is a time and hour of the Lord's Power and Plan springing forth. You witness the trials, the suffering, the desperation of a nation divided because of the acts of Satan; yet before you stands an opportunity to reach out to the people who are desperate for answers and a way. Now is the time to bring forth the Gospel of Christ and demonstrate his love among the people. Behold the harvest is ripe.

29 You are witnessing the vials being poured out upon your nation and those nations throughout the world. You are witnessing prophesy being fulfilled in this, the closing of time. None can deny that the Lord is shaking the world today to awaken and warn the people. I have given you hope in the Words from Christ in His Message this day.

30 I have given you the answers directly from the Lord's Throne. There are none who can deny the Lord has spoken and will yet speak greater and more severe. Awaken! Be up and obey the Word the Lord has sent unto mankind: His Word to heal, to build up and to provide a place of safety[15] and salvation.

31 I have come at the Lord's direction, in the Lord's time. I have not come of myself. I bring forth the Word of the Lord unto mankind to prepare the bride, to prepare the Church, that none would be lost.

32 Let all men within the Church be at peace one with another. Let not jealousy and conflict be among you. Seek to labor in Unity and in the Strength of the Lord.

33 When you come to the Assembly, come with humility praising and giving honor to the Lord. Prepare your hearts even now for the coming Assembly. Come and be filled with the love of Christ and rejoicing in the healing of our Lord.

34 Let Apostle Timothy Gosier understand the Lord knows his heart and shall bring forth peace and understanding unto him. Let him be uplifted and encouraged. Let him provide light and peace to many.

35 The Lord is pleased with the efforts of the Disciples and Vice Bishops in Africa. He knows your trials and your suffering. He will bring peace to Africa, least you forget the Lord has placed His angels about you and will provide protection in as much as you walk in humility with Him. The Lord is pleased with the handmaidens in the world who remain faithful and humble in His sight. Let the MDZ in Africa be encouraged and uplifted. Continue in that continent, and with the efforts to guide and

[15] Mess. 19:10

teach the youth.

36 The Work of Vice Bishop Albert Sudi has been recorded in heaven and his reward in heaven is secure and of great honor. His race has been run and recorded in heaven.

37 In nothing be terrified of the adversaries and always confident that the grace and good works that the Lord has performed shall keep thee[16] in His Bonds and in His Hands until He returns.

38 The Lord will not forget His promises unto His people and He will hide them in the cleft of His Rock from the destruction and horror that is coming upon the world. Let all be at peace and let all seek the face of the Lord Jesus Christ as He has spoken unto you and will send His Messenger again as there is a need and until the work of the Restoration be finished. Peace and the joy of the Lord be unto all. Amen.

[16] Philemon 1:28

One-hundred Thirtieth Message

On July 30, 2020 at 2:45pm the messenger of the Lord appeared in my home. His light filled my home and His Spirit brought great peace unto my very soul. I was reviewing the plans for the coming missionary journey of 2021. He spoke slowly and distinctly as he commanded me to write the Message he had brought from the Lord.

When he had finished delivering the Message; I asked him directly if the Lord was approving of the plans for the coming missionary journey of 2021. He said the Lord was guiding and would continue to guide the work that lay ahead. He said trust in that which the Lord is providing. He said even through the trials that lay ahead; the Lord would strengthen and overcome and even over rule in all things. Be of courage, trusting in the His Will.

Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold, I have come from the presence of the Lord! I am sent unto thee in this hour at His command. I am the messenger of the covenant[1], the Elijah[2], I am he who has been sent to purge and purify. I bring the Words of the Lord unto thee; write them and give them unto His People.

2 Thus saith the Lord, 'Behold the day is come: I will make my Holy name known in the midst of my people. I will no longer allow them to pollute[3] my Holy name any more, without punishment. The heathen shall know I am the Lord Jesus Christ.'

3 Let my people of the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message behold with thy eyes, and hear with thy ears all that I say unto thee concerning the ordinances of the house of the Lord, and laws thereof. Mark well the entrance unto the house[4] of the Lord; to the sanctuary of the Lord. Let none partake or function therein who has not covenanted with the Lord through the waters of baptism[5]. Keep my ministry and my house holy.

4 Behold the day has ceased wherein the Lord would look past those who bring forth strange doctrine and traditions.

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[1] Mess. 123:13
[2] Malachi 3:1-4
[3] Ezekiel 39:7; Jeremiah 2:21-23; Ezekiel 14:11; Isaiah 48:11
[4] Ezekiel 44:5;
[5] Mess. 83:14; John 3:1-8

5 The Lord desires a Holy people[6]. He commands His Word be obeyed among those who would serve Him. Let come what will and let go what will[7], but His Word shall rule and over-rule among the congregation and His house shall become a place of holiness[8].

6 The world is folding into destruction and the time is ripe to give warning unto the souls least they be lost. The destruction and plagues[9] have been let to awaken the sleeper[10], to shake the heathen and part the evil from the righteous.

7 Now is the time for the ministry to put on the full armor of God[11] and bring forth His Word unto the people with convicting power. Let all preach and teach the same Word of God and sanctify themselves that the Spirit and Power of the Lord will be upon them.

8 The Lord will open doors before those who will be moving to the nations throughout[12] the world. He will set His angels among them. Let them lead souls unto the door of salvation and the healing balm of baptism.

9 Let the Articles and Faith and Practice be taught in detail to each nation, that all might be firm in the ordinances and laws of the Lord. Let all understand clearly what the Lord has placed as a guide unto the door of the sanctuary, through the teaching of the Articles of Faith[13] and Practice.

10 That the quorum of Bishops once again be as the Lord has designed and may function in unity with all nations properly represented: let Reejay Bello Dacut be ordained as a Bishop. Let the Apostles traveling from America ordain him while in the Philippines. Let him function with full authority with his fellow Bishops in India, Africa, and America.

11 As there is great need within the vineyard and among the people; it is wisdom that the quorum of Apostles be complete and serving the Lord's people. Therefore Let George William Madembe of Uganda and Disciple Abraham of India be ordained as an Apostles in those nations. Let the Apostles traveling from America, ordain these men as they pass through

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[6] Mess. 9:2
[7] Mess. 84:21; Mess. 86:12
[8] Ephesians 5:27
[9] Mess. 100:3; Mess. 129:29
[10] Mess. 3:2; Mess 89:3
[11] Ephesians 6:11-17; Mess. 80:6; Mess. 122:14
[12] Mess. 112:14
[13] Mess. 81:20; Mess. 127:7; AFP #15

the nations of India and Uganda.

12 It is the Lord's Will and plan that these apostles function with full power and authority with their fellow apostles in the Philippines, Germany, Kenya, and America. Let the Apostles labor in unity, always remembering they are servants unto the saints of God. Let their strength be in humility, yet speaking the Word of God with the power of the Holy Spirit.

13 Let the Church pray earnestly that those servants who are called to carry the Word, hasten unto the nations, as all must be taught and warned. Teach all to heed the words I bring from the Lord.

14 It is wisdom for the handmaidens in the Church worldwide to continue to help in translations and aiding the church in many functions, even to the need of traveling with missionaries in their efforts; as the Lord will use them as strong witness unto the women and children during the missionary efforts.

15 The Lord is pleased with the efforts of Herlen Prado and Estrella Aguilar in the Philippines for their work to aid the membership in their understanding and needs. Likewise the Work of Gillian Shivario in Kenya is held in high regard, as she has sacrificed and aided the missionary efforts on the African continent. The Lord holds these and others of the handmaidens in deep respect and honor. It was the handmaidens of the Lord who first came to the empty tomb and believed; while yet the apostles doubted.

16 The powers of darkness must come to an end.

17 Let the book the Word of the Lord be printed in the German language and when there is a need let it be printed in the Spanish language and in the Russian Language.

18 Let Oleg Titov know the Lord is with him and let him plan to spend more time with Apostle Robert Beck to spread the Word of the Lord among the people in his area.

19 Let Michael Hill know the Lord has witnessed his humility, and desires he take up his calling as an evangelist and feed the flock with the Word of God.

20 I have come and will yet come, until the war between Satan and Christ is finished and the temple is built, and bridegroom claims those that are chosen and faithful.

21 Let none add to the Word of God, neither shall ye diminish ought

from it, that ye may keep the commandments and laws of the Lord. Hold fast unto the Doctrine of Jesus Christ taught in the Bible, the Record of Nephites and the Word of the Lord.

22 Submit yourselves before the Lord, and He will uphold you on the day of judgment. Rejoice always for thy salvation; giving honor and glory unto God.

23 I leave peace with you. I am John the Baptist resurrected and I shall come again until the work is finished. There are many more who will be called to labor in the field of the Lord and by His Spirit He shall draw them into the light and the truth. Give this Message to the Apostles and the Church and publish it in the book, the Word of the Lord. I shall come again at his direction to bring guidance and His Love. Amen.

One-hundred Thirty First Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared unto me on December 28th 2020 at 1:45 pm and was with me for over an hour. He said unto me behold, arise and write the message from the throne of God that I shall give unto you. He obtained a tablet from my sofa and I pulled a pen from my pocket. The following is the Message.

When the Messenger had finished, for the first time he took the tablet from my hand and read what I had written as he spoke. He read carefully through it, then handed it back to me. He smiled and stepped forward and placed his hands upon my head: in an instant I felt as if I were in a bright hallway, and not in my body, I could hear what I believe were angels singing praises unto God. I do not know how long all of this took, but it seemed as if I were moving in an exceeding bright hallway; then all at once there was a stream among trees surrounded by a desert. I wanted to reach out and touch the water, which was crystal clear and beautiful; but then he stepped back from me.

He said you shall see this scene again, be at peace. He turned and was gone. My body felt great peace and extremely weak. I prayed for a time, then sat in stillness reading the Message.

--Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold! Arise and rejoice! I have come from the presence of the Lord!

I bring unto thee and all mankind, a Message from the Lord for His People in this time of trouble and suffering[1].

2 I come at the direction of the Lord, I am the Elijah, sent at His appointing and His anointing. Many have looked for my coming. I prepared the way before Christ at his first coming and I am preparing the way for His arrival as King and savior of the world. I am sent to prepare His people for the wedding and the judgment[2].

3 Great is the need within the Vineyard throughout the world, and the prayers of His people have cried out unto the heavens for His Mercy and His restoring unto His own.

4 Mankind has sought for answers to the promised horrors of the fourth seal and the Pale Horse[3]. They have sought the answers in the science of man and the mind of men, yet few there are who have turned unto God.

5 The Lord has said to rejoice[4] in these trials, as His coming is near. The Lord hath spared the oil and the wine; wherein mankind may seek the Lord and find salvation and the path unto salvation.

6 Servants of the Lord, go unto those who are burdened in Spirit and encourage the downcast[5]; giving unto them the words of Life from the Lord in His Word. The answers are before you. This is not a time of fear, rather a time to rejoice[6] and a time to put on the brighter garments[7] and prepare your hearts and souls for the coming of the Lord.

7 The doctrine of the Lord shall drop as rain[8], as showers of rain upon the earth, bringing peace and hope to mankind. The Lord thy God shall go before thee, as you move among the nations and to those whom He will anoint; His Power will prevail. Some He sends, shall He bring home, yet not until their mission is finished. He will overshadow those whom He shall send among the nations for it is His Will and Plan. He knows what is ahead for those He has sent; with His loving hands He will bless and set His Spirit among them and hold them in the hollow of His Hands.

8 You shall witness the fulfilling of the vision I have given unto your

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[1] Romans 12:12; James 1:12
[2] Mess. 68:1; Mess. 122:13
[3] Rev. 6:8; Mess. 108:19; Mess. 122:9; Mess. 108:19
[4] Mess. 21:14; Mess. 57:12; Mess. 28:14; Mess. 124:13
[5] Mess. 16:5;
[6] 2 Tim. 1:7; Psalms 27:1
[7] Rev. 3:4-6; Matt. 22:9-14; Mess. 84:36; Mess. 86:72
[8] Is. 55:10-11; Rev. 22:1-2; Mess. 127:17

Brother Otto Fetting concerning the United States[9]. For the time has come that the cleansing of America must come to pass.

9 Many shall weep and howl, suffering great financial loss[10], and many shall suffer, yet in the cleansing the Lord will move His Hand among those who have covenanted with Him and clothe them with a mantle of safety and peace. He will keep the feet of His saints[11].

10 Even as the Lord spoke to you in the eleventh verse of Message 125; He speaks even stronger and more severe[12]: "Turn ye from your evil ways, and keep my commandments and my statutes[13], according to all the law which I commanded unto your fathers through the prophets of old[14]."

11 The Lord is pleased with the faithful in all of the nations. You have endured much and your faces shall shine with the righteousness of His Spirit, His Word, and His Love.

12 The laborers of the Lord shall soon depart this nation's shore and I have prepared the way before them. Let them go forth in boldness, professing all that I have given unto them. Let them fear in nothing. I have set before them a path to walk. I have prepared the hearts and ears of those whom they shall move among. I shall be with them and hold them close.

13 See those in America who doubt and deny my coming. The door will soon close and their knock will no longer be heard. Let them repent while yet there is time.

14 For those who stand at the water and wait; the time is now, go forth and be as one with the Lord and the saints of God.

15 Who among you can understand the power of God? He has divided the sea with His Power and His understanding hath silenced the proud. The Lord hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and His Kingdom rules over all. Who among you can say greater?

16 The Lord has sent me in your hour of temptation and doubt. The Lord

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[9] Mess. 29:21-23; Mess. 45:16;
[10] James 5:1-4; Mess. 86:16;
[11] 1 Samuel 2:9; Mess. 93:3; Mess. 98:11; Mess. 115:7
[12] Mess. 97:8; Mess. 129:9;
[13] Zechariah 1:6
[14] 2 Kings 17:13

knoweth the reasons of the season, and each season[15] has a reason. It is Satan who would have you to fear. Lift up your hands and rejoice for the Lord is near.

17 Rejoice ye people of the earth, for the Lord will show unto you His power. The sorrow you witness now shall pale when you see the coming of the Lord in all His glory. Be filled with hope, with joy, and with peace; for the Lord thy God will not forsake you, nor shall He allow you to be without His Spirit and the wine of His forgiveness.

18 Some He has preserved for this hour. The Lord knoweth the pain of those who have suffered loss. He knoweth those with bodies, which have suffered greatly. They have not suffered without purpose, for the Lord shall magnify His power and mercy among them and grant unto them strength. They shall learn patience and trust in their stripes. Let all rejoice this day for it is a day the Lord hath made for each of you.

19 The Lord has sent me with His Word, let your hearts be full and your Spirits rejoice for the Love of the Lord is upon you. I will come again at the direction and command of the Lord. Give this Message to the brothers, to the Church, and unto the world. I leave you in peace. Amen.

One-hundred Thirty Second Message

On March 23, 2021 at 3:45 am the Messenger of the Lord, appeared unto me in my room in Nairobi, Kenya, He told me to awaken as he gently touched my shoulder, and said the Lord was keenly aware of the pressure my body and those of my fellow Apostles had been enduring.

For a few moments we spoke as two friends of the recent events. He handed me a pad and I wrote the Message as he spoke it. – Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold I come from the presence of the living God. I am the Elijah, the Messenger of the Covenant, sent to guide and direct the work of the Lord. I bring forth a refreshing and encouragement. The Lord is still at

[15] Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

the helm and shall bring forth success and joy.

2 The work of the Vice Bishops and Disciples in Malawi, has been well received and viewed with great honor.

3 Likewise, the work of Apostles Fred Mikangi and Apostle Norman D. Lyles is held in high regard and understanding the sacrifices which the brothers have given.

4 The work in Malawi and Mozambique is extremely important unto the Lord and critical to the work in Central Africa. Satan knows full well the work is continuing to expand and thousands are coming to Christ and His Church. Satan is fighting to destroy the work and those now have been called and chosen to move the work forward. It has not been an effort without cost and sacrifice, however Christ's Grace and Power have overcome.

5 His People of Malawi shall walk after the Lord. He shall roar like a lion before them and then many will tremble and know the Power and grace of God has come to Malawi.

6 You have witnessed the Power of God, yea you have seen His Word fulfilled in spite of the efforts of Satan, as he seeks to destroy, the virus of the pale horse has cast a shadow across the nations and has brought His three apostles low, yet the Lord through His Power has protected their lives and in returning their strength that the work may grow.

7 Read and study the words I have sent by my Messenger. I have explained in these the days of tribulation. Study them and obey them fully and eternity will hold for you a place.

8 Behold, saith the Lord, 'those that profess my name and diligently seek Me, yea I will open doors that none can close.'

9 Hate evil, love the Good. Establish judgment in the gate, that the Lord of Hosts will be gracious unto all that enter herein.

10 The Lord has sent His messenger unto you; The promised Elijah, the Messenger to prepare the way for the coming of Christ. The Lord is aware of your weakness in body and those of your fellow laborers, however, be ye uplifted and encouraged for He shall see you through these times.

11 Let nothing discourage you or your fellow brothers. He shall set His hand upon you and strengthen you. I shall come again as the need be and until the Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ in all His Glory. Amen.

One-hundred Thirty Third Message

On May 11, 2021, the Lord sent the Messenger unto me at 3am this morning in Kitale, Kenya in my room where I was sleeping. He appeared unto me with a radiance that filled the entire room. He said the Lord had sent him with a Message for the Church and handed me a tablet and a pen and commanded me to write.

He spoke slowly, firmly and with authority. He would pause as I corrected what was written in a few places. He was with me for a little over an hour. He said to give this Message to the Brothers and the Church.

I read the message over and then prayed and lay back down until the rest of the house began their morning activity.

Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold, arise and take the Message I shall give you; for it is to all nations, creeds[16], and tongues. I come from the presence of the Lord, at His direction, and at His time. The words I bring are His Words, are His Will, and at His authority.

2 I am the Elijah, the Messenger of the Lord's covenant. I am sent at His Will and I come not of myself. He has sent me with His Words for this day and this time. I am the prophet of the Lord.

3 Hear ye nations and repent of your sinful ways[17]. The heart of man is filled with iniquity and the Lord will not spare him who continues in selfishness and greed. The days of trouble are before you, even as you witness the plagues which are rampant upon earth today. See how the ways of sin have brought forth horror upon the entire earth.

4 The time has come that judgment has begun at the house of God[18] and it shall begin with His people. What shall be the end of them who obey not the Word of God?

5 The Word of God is quick, powerful, piercing the soul and Spirit. It discerns the heart and thoughts of man[19]. It knows the intents of the heart. Do not doubt the power of the Lord. Man cannot deceive the

[16] Mess. 88:22
[17] Mess. 3:4; Mess. 25:14; Mess. 100:3-4; Mess. 108:14
[18] 1 Peter 4:17; Mess. 86:23, 72
[19] Hebrews 4:12-13;

lamp[20] of the Lord, nor can he escape judgment.

6 I have come with instructions and directions in the past, and come now with a warning. You see the work of the pale horse[21] sent to awaken mankind. You witness the pain and suffering and loss caused by the plagues upon the earth caused by man's turning from the commandments and laws of God. What more must the Lord do to awaken mankind?

7 See those who deny my coming and make light of the instructions I bring[22]. See those who pretend to represent the Lord's Church, yet lack in the Lord's Spirit and Word. He will surely reprove you. Have you not heard His Words? Will you accept His promises, or persist in the imaginations of your hearts and minds?

8 Hearken ye nations of the earth, for your sins have come up before me[23]. You have heaped upon yourselves your traditions and forgotten the commandments of the Lord God and gone your way with the harlots of the world. Satan has filled your hearts with doubts and unbelief. Come out of her least you suffer with the ungodly.

9 The Lord has set before thee life and death, blessing and curses[24]: therefore choose life, that you might have life and life everlasting, both thee and thy children.

10 The Lord hath not spoken in secret or timidly, rather with boldness and firmness to awaken thee. For now is the time of the coming judgment and it is not His desire for His children to suffer.

11 He has sent forth his ambassadors[25] unto the nations with His Word, His Will, and His instructions that mankind might be warned and have salvation, but will mankind heed or will their ears be closed and their hearts be hardened?

12 The work thus far of those sent to the foreign fields has been pleasing unto the Lord. He knows the time is short. He knows the sorrow that shall soon come upon the earth, which will make the plague now happening, seem as drops of rain upon a dry earth.

13 God has decreed His Plan and it shall be fulfilled. This is the closing

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[20] Psalms 119:105
[21] Rev. 6:7-8; Mess. 122:9; Mess. 39:12; Mess. 63:10
[22] Mess. 25:8; Mess. 26:4; Mess. 33:12; Mess. 56:14
[23] Mess. 114:10
[24] Deut. 11:26-28
[25] 2 Cor. 5:20; Mess. 98:14

time when the vineyard is being pruned, and when it is complete, America will be Zion.

14 The Lord has given instructions to the American nation to build locals. It is His Will, that a cleansing may spring forth and the nation may indeed be Zion. Therefore as the way opens let Bishop Norris Purifoy and Bishop Willie Coffey be placed and assisted in the mission field to labor in Mississippi, Tennessee, and Alabama. The Lord will bless them in their efforts, yet let them linger long enough to set up elders to care for the locals in those areas and insure that all are teaching and preaching the doctrine and laws of the Lord. As they labor let those of the Apostles who can assist them be about the Lord's will and plan.

15 Let Dan Santangelo when he comes unto the church be baptized and ordained as an elder. The Lord will bless him and give him strength to be about the Lord's work.

16 The Lord is aware of the trials and hardships of those laboring in Africa, however let these who labor understand it is Satan who hinders and yet the Lord who has overcome and will continue to overcome Satan and his actions.

17 In India there is much hardship and suffering to that nation. The Lord is pleased with the Bishops who have sought with much sacrifice to strive in aiding their plight and suffering. Let those in India know the Lord is mindful of their plight and shall place his hand of mercy upon them. The hardship and suffering they feel and endure is as that of much of the world, because of the sins of man. The Lord shall send guidance and help as the conditions and governments permit. The Lord will not forsake or leave His servants and His people without hope and help.

18 Let all seek the Lord and know the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being comforted by His overcoming death and sin in His resurrection and the promise given to each who believe and obey his commandments.

19 As the brothers move forward in their journey, let them be certain to engrain the Word as contained in the Articles of Faith and Practice[26] in every nation which they set foot. Let them hold fast to the Word of God and His promises for mankind.

20 Let none partake of the Lord's supper who have not covenanted with

[26] Mess. 98:20; Mess. 81:20

the Lord through baptism[27] of those with the authority of the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message. Let those who have rejected the Message be removed[28] least Satan allow them to defile the Word of the Lord. Remember the Lord's Church and Work must be holy.

21 Let those in the Philippines prepare their hearts and minds to find obedience in the Lord and in His Word. Great is the work before you, inasmuch as you hold fast to the Word of God.

22 To the Apostles and Bishops[29]: the burden of the whole Church has been placed upon you and unto all the nations must His Word be carried; however be of good cheer for the hand and power of the Lord shall be upon you in your obedience.

23 Thus saith the Lord, "I have sent my servant John the Baptist, and for this purpose was he born, that he might take my message and my covenants; that he would prepare the hearts of man for my coming." I have sent him with this message and will continue to send him, until I return to the earth in glory with all the angels of heaven. Peace be unto all who accept and believe. Amen.

[27] Mess. 102:35; John 3:1-8
[28] Mess. 112:10
[29] Mess. 28:6

One-hundred Thirty Fourth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me at my bedside at around 3am on July 3rd and told me to arise and led me into the living room and he gave me the Message the Lord had commanded him to bring unto me. He was with me about an hour.

I wrote it carefully as he spoke and then returned back to my room exhausted and very weak from the power of the Spirit of the Lord. He had briefly appeared unto me in Kacheliba and told me he would be bringing me a message for the people of the Lord and to prepare myself. I dearly wish all could share this experience and feel His presence and His Power. The following is the Message:

1 Arise and write the Message I shall give you. The Lord has sent you here that the brethren here might have greater assurance of His love for each of them. The Words I bring unto thee are directly from the throne of God and unto all the nations of the world.

2 I have come to fulfill the words of the prophets of old. I have come that none would have an excuse at the coming of Christ. I am the Messenger of the Covenant sent to purify the ministry[1], to purge them as silver and gold, that they would bring forth the Word of God in its purity.

3 Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God[2], whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

4 It is the Lord's Will that ye put on the new man[3], which God created in righteousness and in true holiness. Walk worthy of that which the Lord has given thee and forsake not that which God has blessed thee.

5 There are those who will find fault in all that you do; let them not detain you from the work wherein I have called you to walk. In time their eyes will be opened and their minds mellowed.

6 Know God thy father, and serve Him with a perfect heart and a willing mind[4]: for the Lord searches all hearts, and understands the imaginations of man. If thou will seeketh Him, He will be found of thee; yet if thou

[1] Malachi 3:5; Mess. 73:3; Mess. 121:5
[2] Eph 4:30; Heb. 3:10; Mess. 52:14
[3] Eph. 4:22-32; Col. 1:10
[4] 1 Chronicles 28:9-10; Mess. 133:5

will forsake Him, He will cast thee out forever.

7 The Lord discovers the deep things of man, and bringeth out into the light the things of the shadow of death.

8 The Lord has witnessed the labor of those in Kenya and Uganda and is pleased with the corrections which have been made, and will hold those of the Apostles, Disciples, Bishop, and Vice Bishops to insure they are carried forth in the purging of those things which were needful[5]. To those who have witnessed and been taught the needful corrections: do not doubt the power of the Lord.

9 Let the work of the Lord in Malawi continue.

10 The Lord is pleased with those who have assembled themselves in humility and in love of the Lord and His Word at the Assembly in America. The Word shared at the Assembly was a balm to the souls of all who were blessed to hear.

11 Let those of the Bishops who are seeking to follow the Lord in building locals in America, know with assurance, that the Lord God Himself will labor with them and not only strengthen them, but also guide and bless them[6].

12 The Lord knoweth the needs in Uganda and will overshadow them with His Spirit and His Power. It is the Lord's will that Martin Zeco Mawombo be ordained as one of the twelve Disciples in Uganda.

13 Let Anthony Wanjala be set aside and ordained as a Vice Bishop in Kenya. The lord has seen his heart and love for the Word and work of the Lord and shall bless him greatly.

14 The Lord is pleased with those who have stepped forward and taken up their calling in obedience to the Lord's directions and commands. Let them walk in humility, yet boldness as they move forward to spread the work and Word of the Lord.

15 In time, in the days ahead, as the work progresses in Germany, let Apostle Beck know the Lord shall bless his efforts and give him greater strength within his body. The Lord is pleased with the printing of the German Message Book and it shall be a light unto many in that nation and throughout the continent of Europe. In time the Russian Message shall move forth in power with the German Message book and will awaken those in great need.

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[5] Mess. 129:21
[6] Mess. 133:14

16 Let Martin Waliaula come unto the Lord's Church and be ordained as an evangelist once he has been baptized. The Lord will magnify His Will unto Martin and allow him to be a light unto many.

17 Let the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message put on her brighter garments[7], in preparation for the wedding and be a light and hope unto the world.

18 Behold, there is no other way unto salvation, except through the washing of the blood[8] that Jesus Christ shed for man upon the cross at Calvary and His forgiveness; for this reason the Lord Jesus Christ will be merciful unto those who broke His first covenant and save the tents of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem and is preparing two of His Apostles to carry the Word and promise of His Gospel to the tribe of Judah to preach the promise and gospel of salvation one last time that they might find the salvation of the Lord Jesus Christ.

19 I will cause all to witness a strength to come upon my servants and my power shall be manifested. Nations shall know I have spoken and sent the Elijah that the Lord's Purpose and planning may be fulfilled; bringing forth Zion in righteousness and in power.

20 Let all enter at the strait gate, abiding and enduring unto the end that they shall gain eternal life[9].

21 I am the Elijah who has come to set the Lord's Church in order and prepare the people for the second coming of the Lord Jesus the Christ. I am He who sits and refines. I am He who shall show the saints the things which must be shortly done before the coming of Christ[10].

22 Let the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Word of the Lord be taught that the Word of God might be heard in its fulness and let the Spirit of the bride say come[11].

23 Let all who claim to be my ministers, go forth and form locals that your ministry may be accepted of the Lord or their ministry shall fade from them through slothfulness.

24 When I make up my jewels; ye faithful of the Lord shall be among them; and I will spare them as a man that spareth his own son that serves

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[7] Rev. 3:5; Mess. 45:26; Mess. 54:6; Mess. 84:36; Mess. 86:23
[8] 1 John 1:7; Acts 4:12;
[9] Matt. 7:14
[10] Rev. 22:6-7
[11] Rev. 22:17

him[12].

25 Heed not the imaginations of the hearts of those who have spoken in vain, for behold the Lord will remember His Covenant which He hath made with His people.

26 There is none holy as the Lord: for there is none beside Him: neither is there a rock like our God. The Lord God is a God of knowledge, and by him are all actions weighed. The Lord maketh poor, and maketh rich: He bringeth low and lifteth up[13].

27 As His people have gathered throughout the world, to give honor and praise unto His Holy name; He is mindful of their needs, their joys, and their tears. He knows the terror of the Pale Horse; sent unto mankind to awaken and draw men near unto Him. Be of good courage, for His Mercy and love have no bounds and He will uphold thee and protect thee in thy obedience to His commandments.

28 The Lord has witnessed the faithfulness of his servants, Apostle Norman D. Lyles and Apostle Larry Gosier, which have been laboring in the foreign nations and is mindful of the suffering of His people. He will bring them home for a brief time and then will help them to finish the mission of which He has directed to the Philippines, India, Germany, and England.

29 In the days ahead, when the Covid has passed from the continent of Africa, let Apostle Edward Coffey plan to journey for a short time to Tanzania and southwestern Kenya to help with the work that the Covid has delayed in those areas.

30 Finally, if ye do my statutes and keep my judgments; then I will keep thee in safety in thy dwelling places[14]. Therefore, be obedient unto all the commandments of the Lord thy God and know His blessings.

31 I have come unto thee in thy people's hour of need. I have come unto thee with His Words, His Message for mankind: to awaken, to comfort, and to instruct as to the Lord's Will and plan. Keep this work of the Lord Holy. Keep thyself Holy. I leave each of you in peace and will return as the Lord directs. Amen.

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[12] Malachi 3:17
[13] 1 Samuel 2:2
[14] Mess. 46:10; Mess. 53:9; Mess. 68:10

One-hundred Thirty Fifth Message

The Messenger of the Lord awakened me in the early hours of November 2,2021 and brushing my hair from my face gently told me to write it for the world, for His people, and his church.
I felt as if the burdens of the world had been lifted from my heart and soul. As he turned to go, he smiled at me and brushed the tears from my face, saying be at peace.
-- Norman D. Lyles

1 Arise and take the message the Lord Jesus Christ has sent unto mankind. I am the Elijah. I am He whom the Lord has chosen to carry his message unto mankind with the Lord's Message from His heavenly throne. Be of great joy and giving all honor unto the Lord Jesus Christ. Give this Message unto the brethren and the Church.

2 The Brother's prayers have reached out unto the throne of God[1] and He knows the needs and the hour of the world, so He has sent this message unto all of the world today.

3 This message is of fulfilment, joy, and instruction and is concise.

4 This is a time of rejoicing and happiness. Ottto Fetting's vision[2] of America is now being fulfilled and while some are in fear of the plagues and horrors that have come to pass; you are witnessing the Word of God in its completeness.

5 Remember the plagues around the world are just the beginning of the woes of the pale horse[3]. Much bloodshed and battles await.

6 The Lord is pleased with the Bishops and only desires to see them in the field[4]. The work of Bishop Gary Doudy is held in high regard and let his fellow laborers support his work.

7 God's hands are guiding the work in Europe and His laborers: Apostle

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[1] Mess. 54:7; Mess. 31:1; Mess. 43:3; Mess. 48:16
[2] Mess. 29:21; Mess. 45:16
[3] Rev. 6:7-8; Mess. 128:11; Mess. 132:6; Mess. 133:6
[4] Mess. 129:27

Terry Laws and Apostle Robert Beck shall have success.

8 The work and faith of Apostle Fred Mikangi is being recorded in heaven and the Lord will continue to strengthen him in all his efforts. Let him and his fellow laborers continue in humility and always giving honor unto the Lord.

9 See those around you who have committed[5] their lives and all of their time unto the Lord' work. Follow their lead, their faith, and their courage. I will soon stand them in the cleft[6] of a rock as the indignation shall roll upon the earth. Trust in the Lord and His Word.

10 When an opening comes in the Quorum of the twelve let Dan Santangelo be placed therein and let him labor in love and humility.

11 All must submit unto the Word and Power of the Lord and walk without fear in all He commands.

12 My brother and Scribe: the devil has been at war with you, for he knows well what the Lord has commanded of thee. You have sought to step aside; this you must not do. The pain you have passed through and even yet endure;[7] the Lord is mindful of and understands. You are learning the pain of His cross and beginning to understand the love He has for each of us. Endure the pain without fear, rather with joy and awaiting His promises. Your brothers and sisters uphold you and also are learning the cost of the cross. Be grateful and continue to hold all up in prayer. Thy helpmate and companion I have provided will help and strengthen thy body and I shall uphold her.

13 Let the Church, the saints of God be of great joy today. Let all be encouraged.

14 Let Brother Jai Singh give honor unto the Lord for the care of his companion and Know God is with him.

15 Let all rejoice in the fulfillment of the promises of God and give him

[5] Mess. 113:10; Mess. 46:10
[6] Is. 26:20; Mess. 115:7;
[7] Is. 41:10

both glory and honor[8].

16 You have witness of the truthfulness of my Word, of My Promises. What I the Lord have given shall always be with you in truth and blessings. I have sent my angel: the Elijah, whom I have raised from the dead and sent him with a message for mankind Why stand any still while there is light and time before the return of your Lord Jesus the Christ? Be prepared for His Judgement. I shall send my Messenger to guide and instruct and encourage as there is a need. Peace and joy be unto all. Amen.

[8] Luke 21:28

One-hundred Thirty Sixth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the Elijah, the risen John the Baptist; raised from the dead with the saints of God appeared unto me in my home at a little before 3am on February 1st 2022 and was with me for about an hour.

He wore his same robe and the light coming from him filled my entire room. He spoke with the authority that only comes from God, and told me to write the Message from our Risen Lord Jesus the Christ. Although, not part of the Message, as he prepared to depart; he placed both hands on my shoulders and looked deeply into my eyes and said, "worry not, rather trust thy savior Jesus the Christ." – Norman D. Lyles

1. Behold, I am the Elijah sent by Jesus Christ, the creator[1] of all things both past and present. Arise and write the message I will give you, for great is the responsibility the Lord has placed upon thee.

2. I have come unto thee again when you are weak in body discouraged over that which you have no control. Remember these things will come, however save your strength that you may do that which the Lord has entrusted unto thee; for behold thy time is short. The Lord has extended your life for the work which must be done.

3. The Lord's message for mankind, is to prepare the people for the second coming of Jesus Christ and to guide them that their paths might be firm and pleasing unto Him that they may find a place at the wedding[2].

4. Let all prepare a place for the Lord's people to gather in unity and in peace[3]. Let their hearts be Holy, for the Lord will allow only those who walk in holiness to his wedding.

5. Satan knows his time is short and shall deceive all flesh. Men shall be

[1] John 1:1-3; Col. 1:14-17
[2] Rev. 19:7-10; Mess. 92:14; Mess 91:3
[3] Mess. 3:7; Mess. 36:3; Mess. 48:6

tempted as were the men of old[4].

6. Seek the Lord while there is light and He will draw unto thee, cleansing your hands and your heart and keep you from being double minded[5].

7. Let the peace of God dwell in your hearts and rule that in truth you may be called one body and be ye thankful to dwell in unity with thy brothers in the presence of the Lord[6].

8. Let the Bishops remember that which the Lord has commanded them to do, and do so with haste, as this nation must be cleansed.

9. What in heaven is good and what does the Lord require of thee? Do that which is Just and love mercy[7].

10. Quench not the Spirit[8] by establishing your hearts, unblameable unto the Word and statutes of the Lord.

11. The world will soon be at war[9]; the children will suffer, even as the Word has warned you, mankind will weep and howl because their ability to get gain has gone up in smoke[10] and that which man considered security, will be as empty sand without peace.

12. It is time for men to respect and give glory unto the Lord who went to the cross that all men might be saved, thus the Lord has called those to labor in the harvest. The call has gone out from the throne of God to carry the gospel with haste unto the people, for all have a work to do. Let Michael Clark know the Lord has called him to be ordained as an evangelist and labor in his nation to bring hope and truth to his people.

13. Let Wayne Hollis put away the past and come through the water of life, being baptized and take up his calling ordained as an evangelist fulfilling the Lord's will and plan.

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[4] Message 7&8: 6; Mess. 13:2; Mess 55:4; Mess. 27:12
[5] James 4:8; Is. 55:6-7; Matt. 6:33
[6] Col. 3:15;
[7] Micah 6:8
[8] 1 Thes. 5:19-25
[9] Mess. 128:10-15
[10] James 5:1-3; Mess. 86:16; Mess. 131:9

14. The Lord has witnessed your faith my fellow servant and has extended your life for His purpose and plan. He knows your suffering and your desire to be about carrying the gospel unto the people. He also knows the toll Satan has wrought upon your body, however the Lord has brought thee back from death's door, because your body and soul belongs to Him. Your work is not yet finished, but your body needs to rest; thus it is the will and plan that Apostle Robert Beck and Apostle Larry Gosier complete the journey unto the Philippines and India as soon as it can be arranged.

15. Where shall wisdom be found? Where is the place of understanding? Men do not know the price thereof for it cannot be valued with gold or silver, rather by the presence of the Lord's peace within the heart of men[11].

16. Let the old and young labor together, showing that humility and strength cometh from God, seeking to understand and teach the Gospel, feeding the flock that the nourishment of the Word can lead mankind to be found prepared for the wedding of the Lord,

17. Be at peace with all men and carry this message to the quorum and unto the church and world that all may know they serve a living and unchangeable God. I will return at the Lord's Will and His command. Peace and comfort be unto all. Amen.

[11] Job 28:12-23

One-hundred Thirty Seventh Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared in my home at 11:25am on June 11th 2022. I was preparing to pay some of my bills for the month when He came into my office. Even though it was daytime, the entire room was enveloped in a bright glow that filled the entire room and I knew even before I saw him, that the messenger had come. He greeted me with a smile and I felt a great peace to once again be in his presence. He took a notebook from the top of my desk and commanded me to write the message he had brought from the throne of God. The following is the Message.

--Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1. Behold I come from the presence of the Lord. Take the message I will give you. I am he whom the Lord hath commanded to awaken the virgins[1]. I come with a warning before the great and dreadful day[2] of the Lord. I come to awaken mankind who have slumbered and slept. I am the Elijah, the messenger of the Lord's covenant; to bring the message from the throne of the Living God, the alpha and omega[3]. Many have prayed for my coming with Words from God, to comfort, direct, and lift up mankind from the depths of darkness.

2. The Lord is merciful[4] and patient. The Lord will and has raised the dead, He has lifted up the lost, and brought forth salvation unto mankind. He maketh known unto thee, His Will and His instructions for this day and this time, so that none would be lost. It is He alone who can lift the broken and make them whole, and bring life to the lost.

3. Behold it is time for the Lord's Church to put on the brighter garments[5] and to trim her lamps; to come to the Lord in humility and unity.

4. The ways and ideas of man[6] will not save you, rather lead you into

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[1] Matt. 25:5-6;
[2] Malachi 4:5-6;
[3] Rev. 1:8; Rev. 22:13
[4] Lamentations 3:22-23; Ps. 25:6; Ps. 51:1
[5] Rev. 19:7-9; Rev. 3:5; Mess. 2:2-7; Mess. 3:3
[6] Mess. 108:14;

darkness and doubt. It is evil men who have tried to lift themselves up in pride and their own false knowledge, claiming to have greater understanding of the Words of the Lord.

5. Let all give earnest heed to the things that even the prophets[7] have foretold of and looked forward to witness. Hold fast to the Word[8] contained in the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Word of the Lord which I have brought from the throne of God.

6. The promises of the Lord unto Israel are from everlasting unto everlasting[9]. What Christ sends today shall be forever and unchangeable. The Lord is unchangeable and without end[10].

7. The Lord is pleased with the unity of the Quorums and the love which springs forth as dew upon the earth. Continue in your efforts in laboring as one before the Lord. He shall overshadow those who seek His Will and seek to carry in purity the Word unto mankind.

8. The Lord has been with his servant, Apostle Fredrick Mikangi in his labors in Uganda, Kenya, and Malawi. Let him be cognizant of his health and listen closely unto the Lord, moving only as the Lord would direct.

9. Thus far, the work in Nova Scotia is accepted of the Lord. He shall water the seeds sown by the brethren and He shall protect those whom have come through the water and now belong unto Him.

10. Let Apostle George Madembe be encouraged, for the Lord has set His angels about his family to protect them and strengthen them.

11. There are those who carry deception and contention, seeking to glorify themselves as representatives of the Lord. Have no part with them. Unless they repent quickly, the grace time for them will have passed[11].

12. Heed not the traditions[12] of men and of churches, whom the Lord hath not ordained or accepted. They have gone away from the doctrine of

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[7] Matt. 13:17
[8] Mess. 102:18
[9] Gen. 17:7
[10] Malachi 3:6; James 1:17
[11] Mess. 121:10
[12] Hebrews 13:9; Mess. 12:4

the Lord and become an abomination in His sight.

13. Teach the doctrine of the living God: Jesus the Christ. Those without the doctrine of Christ[13] have no place within the Lord's kingdom. Let the full gospel go forth unto the world, to every nation, tongue, and creed. Let it go forth in haste and without reservation, as the time is short before the return of Christ in Judgement and the world must be warned.

14. I have commissioned my Apostles to carry unto the world my gospel in its purity and let nothing hinder or delay them from their labors; even you my fellow servant: I have given you space to heal. I have raised you from the dead and in your obedience I shall once again send you forth among the nations, as the time of the end is short.

15. The Lord knows those whose hearts are evil and withheld the Lord's tithe; claiming the tithe is theirs to decide and use. They shall suffer greatly and must repent or be lost.[14]

16. I have sent forth instructions from the throne of God, through My Messenger, the resurrected John the Baptist. Who is man to claim more than this?[15] Yea, I say unto all such: you have hearkened to the whisperings of Satan and darkness and doubt have filled your souls.

17. Let Bishop Gary Doudy rejoice in the healing I have given him, for I have poured out My Mercy upon him and preserved him and his spouse for the great work that is ahead.

18. As the flock assembles themselves for the Lord's Assembly in humility and love; the Lord shall pour out His Spirit upon them in great measure and shall overshadow the Assembly, and bless them with understanding, His Light, and His Peace.

19. Let the Disciples, Vice Bishop, and ministry in the Philippines put aside pride and position and labor in love and with understanding and forgiveness and humility. The Lord looks not upon the outer appearance, rather into the heart. Love is your mission and there must be love and unity among the brethren.

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[13] 2 John 1:9-11
[14] Malachi 3:8; Mess. 46:4; Mess. 82:21; Mess. 121:15
[15] Mess. 92:11; Mess. 122:23; Mess. 123:13

20. You have witnessed and are witnessing presently the beginning of the horrors spoken of in the 128th Message. You can see the fatherless children, those fleeing the horror, only to have greater sorrow heaped upon themselves. This is only the beginning of the war that shall spread throughout the world. You have witnessed the plagues and death come to thousands and the hunger that is coming upon the world, even in this nation. Everywhere men seek relief from the suffering, however there shall be no relief except in the arms and trust of the Lord.

21. Fear not those who speak against this message and instructions I have and will yet bring from the Lord. They are carnally minded and shall perish as those who turned a deaf ear unto my servant Noah.

22. Study and show thyself approved of the Lord[16]. There is peace and salvation in the Word of God. Pray that you are not deceived and fall into the pit of the evil one. Seek ye the Lord while yet it is light.

23. Hearken unto Him who separated you from the world with its greed and foolishness. There is comfort in His Word. He has called you and chosen you and will not forsake you or deny you. He will not leave you without His Power. Trust in the Word contained in the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Word of the Lord which I bring from His Throne in these days of trouble and woe.

24. Trust not in the arm of flesh[17], nor the things of this world, for they are temporary and will fade away. Let the women, the handmaidens of the Lord take the word from house to house and heart to heart. The Lord is pleased with the handmaidens of the Lord who have been meeting in prayer for the Church and your prayers have reached up as a savory perfume unto the Lord.

25. The Lord shall set a hedge[18] up before those in the foreign lands and a wall to protect them from their enemies. He shall preserve His oil and His wine[19] among you and His hand will be upon thee for thy protection.

26. I have come with this message hearing the cries of my people. Give it unto the Apostles, whom the Lord hath placed the burden to carry unto

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[16] 2 Tim. 2:15
[17] Jer. 17:5-9
[18] Job 1:8-10
[19] Rev. 6:5-6; Mess. 128:11

the flock, give it unto the Church, and give it unto the world. Do this in haste, without reservation. Let your minds be illuminated with understanding and for those who struggle with understanding: anoint yourselves with oil and fast before the Lord[20]. This Message must go with haste unto My People and thus I have sent my Messenger. The Lord hath not changed, nor shall He ever change[21]. I shall come again as the Lord commands and I leave you in Peace. Amen.

[20] Matt. 6:17-18; Mess. 14:5; Mess. 116:5
[21] Hebrews 13:8

One-hundred Thirty Eighth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the Elijah appeared to me in my home in Grand Junction, Colorado at three in the morning on September 26, 2022. He was with me for a little over an hour. The light that accompanied him filled the entire room and filled me with great peace. Although not part of the Message: when he placed his hands upon my head, it felt as though I was lifted up almost from my body and I could feel the Spirit of the Lord in great abundance. It was a few minutes before I could continue to write as he spoke the Message; that he had commanded me to write.
--Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1. Awaken! Arise and write the message I shall give you. I am the Messenger of the Covenant, the Elijah sent unto you from the courts of heaven, by the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. These things saith He that is Holy, that lives and was dead[1]. Hear ye what the Spirit of the living God speaketh unto His people this day.

3. Let all be glad and rejoice; for the marriage of the Lamb[2] is near. Let the bride prepare herself for the time is soon upon you.

4. Woe unto them that have gone the way of Cain[3]. The Lord Jesus Christ shall execute judgment upon all to convince all that are ungodly among you of their ungodly deeds which they have committed.

5. Turn unto that which is able to keep you from falling and present yourselves faultless before the Glory of He who has overcome death[4].

6. Behold those who seek to justify themselves in Killing of the innocents while yet in the womb. See those who rob the widows to feed themselves and seek to glorify themselves with high positions. The Lord is coming in judgment with the sword of His Mouth.

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[1] Rev. 1:18
[2] Rev. 19:6-9; Mess. 41:8; Mess. 44:1; Mess. 49:8; Mess. 60:8; Mess. 64:2
[3] Gen. 4:5-11; Jude 1:10-11
[4] Jude 1:24-25

7. I laid my hands upon Otto Fetting and William Draves and now I lay my hands upon thee to bless you in the work which lies before you. I do this that you may have the gift to bless others for the greater work coming in the days ahead.

8. Behold, this is the day when the Lord has established His Church among men, to bring salvation unto all Mankind upon the earth in its fullness.

9. Let the Bride adorn herself in righteousness. Let her mantle be humility and her shield the Word of God.

10. The Lord did not set His Love upon you because you were of great number[5]; rather because you have held fast unto His Word.

11. Continue to hold fast to the Word of the Lord, The Record of Nephites, and the Bible[6]. This you shall do in fear of the Lord, faithfully, and with a perfect heart.

12. Shall mortal man be more just than God? He shall take the wise in their own craftiness and they shall grope in darkness in noonday as in the night.[7]

13. The Lord shall save the poor from the sword and the hand of the mighty. Happy is man whom the Lord Correcteth. Therefore, despise not the chastening of the Almighty: for He maketh sore and bindeth up, while His Hands maketh whole.[8]

14. The Lord honors and is pleased with the Labors of Apostle Beck in the Philippines.

15. The work of the Apostles in India shall bring forth fruit and a great work is ahead before Apostle Abraham.

16. The Lord has set His Hand upon His servant Apostle Edward Coffey and shall manifest His Will among the people in East Africa.

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[5] Deut. 7:6-7
[6] Mess. 102:18
[7] Job 4:17
[8] Job 5:15-18

17. There is a need for teaching of the leadership in Africa and strengthening of the Church on that Continent, therefore I shall send my Apostle Norman Don Lyles to teach the leadership on that great Continent. It is my Will, he continue into Congo to establish My Church among the people in that nation. Let Apostle Fredrick Mikangi accompany him on this journey. The Lord shall provide strength and power for this journey.

18. As the world cries for peace, the horror of the Great Tribulation is approaching. Let the people set aside Food in a store house and place His Oil upon their Homes.

19. There shall be no peace upon this earth until the Lord Jesus Christ places His feet once again upon this earth.

20. There shall be some of those of the Apostles who shall Suffer and find their rest[9], but be of good courage, for White robes and paradise shall be given unto these. Hold fast to the Word and remain humble.

21. Let the handmaidens anoint themselves with oil and know the Lord is mindful of their faithfulness and labors. The Lord shall set angels about them and their homes.

22. Witness the beauty of the Lord in His Creation. He shall protect His creation and shower His faithful with His Love.

23. Neglect not the instructions I have given unto My Bishops for this nation. The Lord will bless and bring forth fruit in as much as they are obedient and humble themselves unto my commandments.

24. Let Dan Santangelo be encouraged as the Lord has heard his prayers and searched his heart.

25. Let Jacob Wayne Staley be ordained and take up his calling as an Evangelist.

26. Let the Church be encouraged and without fear. I have come at the Lord's direction and shall yet come, until the Lord Jesus Christ returns. Amen.

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[9] Rev. 6:9-11

One-hundred Thirty Ninth Message

The Messenger of the Covenant, the Elijah, appeared to me in my home in Grand Junction, Colorado at 1:45am on February 9, 2023 and was with me for an hour and half. His very being filled the entire room with a light far greater than any light that my home possessed. I had awakened earlier, unable to sleep from the pain in my knees and had been reading the Record of Nephites for a bit, then fell asleep in my chair; when he appeared and touched my shoulder and awakened me. The following is the message he brought unto me.

--Apostle Norman D. Lyles.

1 Arise, and give glory unto the Highest, to the Alpha and Omega[1]! Write the Message I shall give thee from the Lord.

2 Glory, Honor, and praise unto the Eternal Father, Creator[2] of all things! I am the Elijah, the messenger sent from the King of Kings, the Lord of all: Jesus the Christ. I am sent unto mankind to make straight thy way before the Lord of Lords[3].

3 Behold, ye of those who have gathered awaiting the midnight cry; ye whom the Lord has given hope for the restitution[4] of all things.

4 Awaken from your slumber ye virgins[5] whom have prayed for the Unity of men; who know and understand the need for restoration.

5 Bring forth thy lamps and be filled to overflowing with the oil of the Holy Spirit.

6 Do not linger further, waiting for the time of restitution; but come ye forth through the water, receiving the greater gift and promise of the Lord.

7 Long have ye assembled awaiting the restoration! Now come ye forward to gather as One, with One Faith, One Hope, and One God[6].

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[1] Rev. 1:8
[2] Col. 1:14-16;
[3] Is. 40:3; Matt. 3:3
[4] Acts 3:18-22
[5] Matt. 25:1-10; Mess. 3:2-3

8 The Lord shall set His angels about Bishop Willie Coffey and Bishop Norris Purifoy as they labor in Mississippi and Alabama; and give unto them gifts and powers from on high, that they may awaken the lost.

9 Disciple Manfred Marks and Apostle Robert Beck shall have protective angels to provide strength and power and wisdom for the time of Tribulation coming[7].

10 Little flock in Nova Scotia, soon the Lord will pour out His Spirit in great measure among you. Be uplifted and rejoice, praising God.

11 The day has come that they who hideth up their treasures, because they have set their hearts upon riches, and robbed[8] the widows and orphans; shall the Lord open the way before their enemies. They who hold back the tenth of the Lord unto themselves shall be cursed.

12 He that entereth by the door is the Shepherd[9] of the sheep and thy sheep shall know His Voice. Behold it is He that calleth you now: "come unto me and my lamp shall guide you unto salvation."

13 There is no God like unto the Lord Christ, and He will show mercy unto all that walk humbly unto Him[10].

14 Oh ye publicans, He will surely reprove thee. You justify yourselves with sin and fail to seek the Lord.

15 Behold the earthquakes[11], the fires, the wars, and say ye not that you understand not the hour?

16 Let thee: my scribe, and Apostle Fred Mikangi hold fast to my rod and my staff; as I have set before thee a table of thy enemies. Remain in obedience unto the commandments of the Lord. He has called thee and thy cup runneth over.

17 Oh ye people of the earth, hear the warning today! I speak the words of the Lord. Let all have faith, heed repentance and baptism. The great

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[6] Ephesians 4:4-6
[7] Mess. 122:17
[8] Mal. 3:8-9; Mess. 46:4; Mess. 137:15; Mess. 138:6
[9] John 10:1-5;
[10] Micah 6:8; Romans 5:2
[11] Matt. 24:4-8

tribulation is soon upon you and there shall be no hope beyond the salvation of the Lord Jesus the Christ.

18 Fear not the words of men whose hearts are carnal and filled with selfishness. The Lord desires a Holy people: Be ye Holy[12].

19 I will put you in remembrance of how the Lord raised Lazarus and saved Daniel from the lion's den. Can He not bring you through the fire?

20 Keep yourselves in the love of God; looking for the mercy promised by Christ the Lord.

21 For those I am sending forth to the nations: Fear nothing of the things which thou shall suffer, but be ye faithful unto the death and I will give unto thee a crown of life.

22 Praise the Lord in all things. Remain steadfast in the Lord. He shall overshadow thee all the days of your life.

23 Keep peace in the Church and teach the Word. Hold high the standard and do not weary in good works. I shall come again as the Lord directs. Peace be unto all. Amen.

[12] 1 Peter 1:15-16

One-hundred Fortieth Message

The Messenger, the Elijah appeared in the room I was staying in Kitale Kenya at 1:30am on May 8th 2023. His being filled my entire room with the light of the resurrection. He took my hand and brought me to the table by my bedside and said, take the message I shall give unto you. He was with me for an hour and half speaking softly, yet firmly. His eyes seem to see into my very soul. I sat reading the message after he departed and then typed it before laying down to rest. I felt a great tiredness, yet extreme peace. The following is the Message.

--Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold; I am the Elijah. Messenger of the Most High. He who created all from nothing[1], He who was the first and the last, was dead and now lives: It is the I AM that has commanded me to bring unto thee, His Message from the everlasting throne, which has no beginning and no end. I am the messenger of the covenant to purge His ministry and His people.

2 Write these words; His Words for mankind, and Words of truth, born of His Spirit.

3 Behold you cannot deny His Words, which He has spoken from the beginning of creation, and now speaks unto you, unchangeable and everlasting.

4 Why stand ye still as at noonday; failing to understand it is midnight[2]? Why Do you turn a deaf ear to the Words of life?

5 Ye who claim knowledge and wisdom, but abide in darkness; seeking to judge ye the Word of the Lord, when in truth and Spirit, it shall judge you?

6 Ye come to the Word and desire to lay your hand upon it and create doctrines[3] and traditions of your own understandings.

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[1] Gen. 1:1-5; Rev. 1:8; Hebrews 1:8; John 1:1
[2] Matt. 25:4-9; Mess 49:12; Mess. 70:4; Mess 86:6; Mess 116:8

7 Ye seek to reform, and supplant the Word of God, with the denominations of men, while failing to hear the Word of God[4].

8 How long has the Lord been patient with you.

9 How many times has the Lord moved upon you by His Spirit and proven His Word through His Power?

10 Ye walk in your denominations and so-called restorations[5], yet denying the Lord's Words; His promised healing to the nations, with the sending forth of the promised Elijah promised by the holy prophets, and confirmed by the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, which yet you say you accept. Did not He point you to the Stone?

11 Through the coming of the Elijah, you have found the corner stone of my temple.

12 However, blindness has brought forth pride and position among you and you deny even that which has pointed unto you[6].

13 What must be done to awaken the sleeper[7]?

14 Thus saith the Lord, "Are you not all virgins[8] who have slept and slumbered since I arose from the dead and walked among you?"

15 Have I not told you of the things you are now witnessing?

16 Do you feel you can command the Lord to speak as you have a mind to speak?

17 Can you not discern the time and the Lord's Body[9]?

18 How long I have sought thee as lost sheep and yet ye wait to be restored.

19 My beloved children, come unto Me and I shall give you eternal life.

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[3] Mess. 12:4
[4] Is. 28:8-10; Mess. 88:34; Mess. 86:13; Mess. 90:7; Mess. 114:10
[5] Mess. 105:12; Mess. 106:34; Mess. 106:20-24; Mess. 139:7
[6] Mess. 10:2
[7] Mess. 3:2; Mess. 89:3; Mess. 128:5; Mess. 130:6
[8] Matt. 25:1-5
[9] Ephesians 1:22; Col. 1:17-18

20 I am restoring My Church, My People and My ministry, and have called twelve Apostles[10]. Man cannot do this. It is an abomination before me.

21 See those in the Philippines who struggle with pride and seeking high positions. Do ye not realize your actions are not hid from me? Repent quickly, or your candlestick will find no place in the Lord's Kingdom.

22 See those crying for peace, yet peace will not come. Have not you been warned of the Great tribulation[11], which is at hand?

23 The Lord is Just. Those wearing white robes are resting, even as those who shall pass through the Great Tribulation, will also be given white robes[12].

24 Did not the Master, the Lord Jesus Christ, tell you, "I am the resurrection". There is no other way into eternity, than through the resurrection, atoning blood, and rebirth of Jesus Christ.

25 See those almost persuaded, yet pride and vanity holds them in satan's grasp.

26 There is a great work and power set before the restoration; yet blindness has been in part, because of division and pride and seeking high positions. Come out of her! Repent and be cleansed of the precepts, traditions, and pride of men.

27 God is not divided. His Word is not divided[13].

28 Ye have the truth, the Spirit, and the victory in the words contained in the Bible, The Record of Nephites, and the words I bring from the Throne of God.

29 How long stand ye still? Will ye be made whole?

30 The work of Apostle Fred Mikangi is held in high regard. The Lord shall uphold him and give him strength for the path that is before him.

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[10] Acts 1:15-26; 2 Cor. 11:12-15; Mess. 80:8
[11] Matt. 24:6-8, 29; Mess. 138:18-19
[12] Rev. 7:9-17
[13] Matt. 12:25; Eph. 2:19

31 The Lord has witnessed the trials and burdens of His Apostle Roger Simpson and is with him. Let the brothers in the Philippines humble themselves.

32 Let those of the Apostles and Bishops in America[14], be mindful of the great responsibility Of insuring and protecting the nations worldwide, through their actions in Zion.

33 The house of David shall be as fire, and the house of Judah shall be shaken. The house of Esau shall be as stubble[15].

34 The Lord surely will reprove those who take the Lord's Tithe for themselves and will curse their seed[16].

35 This is the day of preparation; let all humble themselves before the Lord.

36 Thus far, the work of my servant in Africa, is accepted by the Lord.

37 Let the Church: The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message continue in restoration and move forward with authority and with the Lord's Power.

38 Let Bishop Willie Coffey and Bishop Norris Purifoy be encouraged as the living water from Christ will bear fruit.

39 Let Apostle Darrel Bellamy help to lead those of the Apostles in unity and peace for the Lord's hands are upon him.

40 Let Apostle Larry Gosier Williams also labor with Bishops in Alabama, Mississippi, and Georgia.

41 Let Bishop Gary Doudy and Bishop Chris Laws labor in unity to ensure the Lord's treasury is secure and protected, with the help of all the Bishops worldwide. The work before you will be recorded in heaven.

42 Let Vice Bishop Jarius in Kenya fill an opening in the Disciples as an opening comes.

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[14] Mess. 112:13,14; Mess. 52:6; Mess. 128:36
[15] Obadiah 1:17-18
[16] Malachi 3:8-10

43 Let the Vice Bishops and Disciples no longer neglect their quarterly Meetings and filing of reports.

44 Thus the Lord has sent me with His Words and His Instructions. Let all labor while it is day, for coming is the night and the Tribulation in which all shall be tried.

45 The day of decision is near[17]. The valley of decision is nigh and I have brought forth thine enemies. Salvation and hope have come unto this day, but will you heed?

46 I am the Elijah. I have come as Christ has sent me. I come not of myself. Only by His command have I come. I bring a refreshing, to bring Restoration of God's Church and His people. I shall return again, before Christ returns and I shall come with Him. Amen.

[17] Joel 3:9-16; Rev. 16:12-16; Mess. 86:18

One-hundred Forty First Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the Elijah, the resurrected John the Baptist, appeared to me at 2:20 am on June 9th 2023 in Kitale Kenya. He awoke me from my sleep and his entire being illuminated my room and He touched my shoulder to awaken me. It had been a difficult day and much was upon my heart and soul.

He smiled and gave me council of a personal nature and then commanded me to arise the write the Message He had brought from the throne of God. He was with me I believe about an hour, I was weary and weak from his presence and so I could not determine the time of his departure. The following is the Message.

--Norman D Lyles

1 Behold, arise and take the Message I shall give you. I am the Messenger of the Covenant[1] and I have been sent unto you from the throne of the Living God. Let not your heart be troubled, nor your soul be in despair. The Lord God has known you from birth and knows the needs of the people. Has sent me to refine and to cleanse. He has sent me with His Love and His Power. I am the Elijah, sent to prepare mankind for the second coming of Christ.

2 Thus saith the Lord, "I have kindled a fire within the bounds of earth, and it shall burn as an oven[2] among the heathen; it shall not be quenched."

3 It is for mankind to choose this day, life eternal or eternal darkness.

4 You have been carried in the hands of the Lord. Take measure of thy soul, and sanctify thyself before the Lord while yet there is light. He has called you and chosen you to serve Him, what more could ye seek? He is above all and in Him is salvation and Peace. Seek ye not the things of this world; nor the pleasures of this world, rather seek in Him the [3]Living Water.

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[1] Mess. 123:13
[2] Malachi 4:1
[3] John 4:10-14; Rev. 22:1-2; Mess. 121:5; Mess. 127:17

5 The Lord has witnessed the faithfulness of those who serve Him and those who have gone astray. He is faithful in all His Promises unto those who seek Him. He has set forth the seas that bring forth life and the heavens that have brought forth the latter rain[4].

6 To those who have committed themselves unto the Lord in righteousness and in humility He shall overshadow their lives and their homes in Holiness. His Spirit shall bring forth spring from winter and hope when all hope is like winter. He shall bring forth joy[5] from where sadness has resided, and His Love shall bring shelter unto His people.

7 The Lord has heard the cries of His people[6] and shall not forsake or leave them without hope. Make a prayer unto the Lord, open thy heart and thy soul before Him. Stand ye before the Lord and seek His face, for now is the time of the harvest. As you seek him in prayer; stay and listen and He shall answer thee. His Peace shall be upon thee.

8 The Lord is mindful[7] of those who seek His face and strive to walk in His Will. Therefore, the Lord shall answer those who have sought Him in tears and in pain. It is the Will of the Lord that in the coming year of the Lord; that Apostle Terry Laws and Bishop Chris Laws journey for a time to South America and carry the Word of the Lord unto those who are in need and desiring to find peace and salvation in the Lord Jesus Christ. Let them prepare and set their homes in order and go boldly forth with the Word of the Lord.

9 The Lord has witnessed the need in India and He shall answer, be of good courage.

10 Let Disciple Robert Gizamba in Uganda continue in humility to serve the people and labor with the young Disciples and encourage and uplift them.

11 The Lord has witnessed the faith of Apostle George Madembe and is pleased with His Work and His Faith. He has spared his life for a purpose, and the Lord shall magnify His name through the work and faithfulness of His Apostle.

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[4] Zachariah 10:1-2
[5] Jer. 31:13; John 16:22
[6] 1 John 5:14-15; Mess. 31:1; Mess. 82:23;
[7] Ps. 115:12-13

12 The Lord has overshadowed Bishop Norris Purifoy and preserved His life and will be with him in the work that is before him. He shall Bless Bishop Willie Coffey as the brothers move forth with the power of His Spirit.

13 Let those who are laboring in Africa, be faithful unto the work of the Lord and in their striving to grow through the teachings, know the Lord is pleased with them. Let them increase the work in Uganda.

14 The Lord's Holy Spirit has sealed and secured those who have come through the waters and He shall set His Spirit to guide and illuminate their lives.

15 As you gather in America for the Lord's Assembly[8], gather in Love and in deep humility and the Lord shall meet with thee. Let those who lead and feed the flock, remain humble and seek boldly to enrich and sanctify the people, with the Word. Though ye may seem not of great number, the Lord has prepared a great work before thee. The nation must be healed and cleansed; and the people warned. The time of judgement of the world is near and Christ's coming is near.

16 The Lord knows those who doubt, those who seek to judge, and claim knowledge, while walking in darkness[9]. Come out of her, while yet it is day, for when the night shall come you shall fall into the pit[10].

17 See those who claim to have revelations and special callings. Read again the Articles of Faith and Practice verse 13. The Apostles of old sought to call other Apostles by revelation[11]; and God did not accept and instead called Apostle Paul as His Apostle to fill the Lord's Quorum of Apostles.

18 There are those today, who are in sorrow, with pain that is deep. Hear ye the Lord, "I shall magnify My Name and bless thee with a blessing that mankind cannot attain to, nor understand. Be at peace and He shall come unto thee, and fulfill thy needs and His hand shall be upon thee."

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[8] Mess. 25:5; Mess. 28:12; Mess. 30:7; Mess. 34:4
[9] Mess. 84:26; Mess. 123:3
[10] Is. 38:17-18; Rev. 20:1-2
[11] Acts 1:15-26

19 In the coming year the Lord shall send Apostle Larry Gosier Williams and Apostle Robert Beck to Malawi to help with the great need that is in that nation. When they have finished their work, let them continue onto western Uganda, Kenya, and strengthen the people there. Let them plan carefully and with the Lord's Wisdom.

20 Put off the old man[12], and walk uprightly before the Lord. Seek to not walk as fools, rather with the wisdom of the Lord; seeking to redeem the lost and sanctify them through the Word and by His Spirit.

21 Ye have witnessed the fulfilling of all the Lord has said. Ye see the wars and rumors of wars. Ye see those who are walking in darkness at noonday. Stand ye not still, while the harvest is ripe.

22 I have come unto thee when your heart is heavy my scribe. He knows and understands your grief and your burdens. Bring them unto the Lord for He knows your heart. He knows all things, and it is He that is in control.

23 I am the Elijah, the one sent to purge, to cleanse and provide understanding unto the Lord's people. I am the messenger of the Lord's Covenant. I shall be with the Lord Jesus Christ when He returns and I will come again as He Directs. Let the Peace of God fill your souls and bring joy unto your hearts. Amen.

[12] Ephesians 4:22-24; Ephesians 5:14-17

One-hundred Forty Second Message

The Messenger of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Elijah, the resurrected John the Baptist appeared unto me in my room on July 24th, 2023 at about 3am in Namayingo, Uganda. I was sleeping after a restless night, of considering the missionary journey in this nation. When he appeared in my room and awakened me and pulled a chair out for me to sit and write, as he sat upon my bed where I had been sleeping. He had the light of the resurrection about him and as the electricity was off in the village; I could see clearly to write the message he had carried unto me. He said a few things of a personal nature unto me, which are not written here. The following is the Message:

---Norman D. Lyles

1 Arise and take the Message I shall give you. I come from the presence of the Living God, Creator of all things. I come with a warning and a word of preparation. I am the Elijah, Messenger of the Covenant; sent from God's Throne to prepare and instruct mankind.

2 Many have prayed for the Lord to speak, to enlighten, and to bring forth the Word of Promise, Hope, and infuse mankind with His Love and instruction for these days and these times, before His Second coming.

3 The Lord hath commanded His Servants to labor while yet it is light[1]. He hath commanded them, to labor in the vineyard[2] with all their might, walking humbly before Him and seeking His Will in all their doings.

4 Behold the time is near unto His coming and He shall nourish His Vineyard[3] with His Spirit and His Love. He shall pour out upon all flesh; His Spirit of refreshing, and His Power upon those of His servants who walk upright before Him.

5 Thus, saith the Lord, "I shall make unto my People a gift more precious than gold[4], and bring a peace unto those whom I have covenanted. My

[1] John 9:4-5
[2] Jacob 5:61-64; Mess. 43:15; Mess. 64:1; Mess. 41:9; Mess. 140:44
[3] John 15:1-6
[4] Is. 13:11-13; 1 Peter 1:7; Ps. 19:9-11

Promises unto these I will fulfill and sanctify their homes, their lives, and their seed."

6 The world shall witness the Lord's power manifested within His People and they shall walk uprightly before Him. Let all whom have come through the water of life know that the Lord will consecrate and protect a dwelling place unto them as the indignation[5] of the Lord moves upon the evil.

7 The house of the Lord, wherein the Lord has sanctified and promised to meet with His people, in Kitale, East Africa; is Holy and let not man walk therein and dwell in an unholy manner. The Lord's house is a place of refuge, a place wherein all who walk, must walk and behave in holiness. See those who have sought to use the Lord's house in Kitale as a place of habitation for their own needs and failed to recognize the Lord through their actions. The Lord's house is not a place for men to reside, to satisfy their wants and comforts, and God will not permit this to continue. Those who seek such, will find their seed in distress and their lives polluted and destroyed.

8 The Lord has witnessed the carelessness of men who have sought to misuse the Lord's house, which He has set forth for the people to meet therein. There are those who have even sought to take that which belongs to the Lord and use it as their own. The Lord shall bring his wrath upon them.

9 It is wisdom and in the Lord's Will and Plan that Apostle Fred Mikangi, direct one man to have watch care over the Lord's house in Kitale, Kenya and insure that all that which belongs unto the Lord, is safely secured and remains in the house of the Lord. Let him, know the Lord Himself, will look upon the actions within the Lord's house, and will hold accountable all who seek to use it unto themselves. Let the man chosen, to have watch care over this house, also keep tidy the sanctuary and the offices wherein the work of the Lord is provided for the people.

10 Let Vice Bishop Maurice return to his home and build up his local church, and do indeed the work of a Vice Bishop, without fail. Let him give honor unto the Lord, through his labor in his local near his own home.

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[5] Is. 26:20; Mess. 33:8; Mess. 46:10

11 Let those who have neglected their calling and their responsibility, repent and walk honestly before the Lord. The Lord has made plain: His judgement is upon His People and His ministry.

12 The Lord's Headquarters of East Africa in Kitale is to be a light unto those in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Malawi, Rwanda Mozambique, and Democratic Republic of Congo. It is from this place; the Lord's Spirit will go forth with power and love.

13 The Lord is pleased with work of Disciples Alfred, Wilson, Amos, Tom, and Vice Bishop Taswet. Let them continue in their efforts. The Lord knows of the struggles they face, and also honors their faith and their labor.

14 Let Moses Mukhebi be ordained as an Elder/evangelist, and pastor the Big Tree local, along with Disciple Joshpat. The Lord will bless them in their labors and in their humility, as they seek obedience unto the Lord and His commandments.

15 Let Apostle Peter Wekesa Simiyu, Apostle Fedrick Mikangi, and Apostle George Madembe, know the Lord is pleased with their efforts and let them also help to direct the work of the Disciples within their nations. Let them devote themselves more to the overseeing work in the nations, and spend more time in their own nations to solidify the work and ministry, leaving the travel unto those of the disciples whom they have trained and trust.

16 The work in Tanzania by Apostle Fred Mikangi and Discple Abihudi Masatu, is held in high regard and deep respect.

17 The Work of Apostle George Madembe, Disciple Opolot, Disciple Martin, and Disciple Robert Gizamba, in Uganda, is pleasing unto the Lord and the Lord shall water and bless all they have done.

18 The Lord is pleased with the Work of Vice Bishop Duncan in Kenya; let him know the Lord is with him and shall protect him as he continues in his efforts for the Lord.

19 Let Bishop John Githinji pastor the Namanjala local in Kenya and let him devote himself with much energy to make it grow and expand in that part of the vineyard. Let Evangelist Samuel Wekesa help him in this effort.

20 The Lord has preserved the life of Disciple Neeraj and shall uphold him with the hands of angels.

21 The work of Disciple Ebenezer and evangelist Pahel Singh is recorded in heaven as they labor under such harsh conditions.

22 Let Bishop Jai Singh of New Delhi know the Lord is overshadowing his wife and ministry, as he labors and is well pleased with his efforts.

23 Let Disciple Emmanuel Dimicali know the Lord is pleased with his work and his humility.

24 Know the Lord has seen the efforts of Evangelist Sonny Dimicali and in as much as he will labor in unity and deep respect with Apostle Roger Simpson, the Lord will restore him to the office of Disciple in the Philippines, however he must follow the instructions and directions of Apostle Roger Simpson.

25 It is the Will of the Lord that Apostle Timothy Gosier and Evangelist Daniel Santagelo, plan to return to Nova Scotia in Canada and continue to build up and help the work in that nation. Let them also labor together in Pennsylvania to build a local in that great State.

26 It is the Will of the Lord that Apostle Terry Laws and Apostle Norman D. Lyles, and Bishop Gary Doudy, labor together in Kansas and Colorado to build up locals in those states as the people are in great need and the fields of harvest are ripe; therefore, let them plan in the coming year to labor as one to make the work of the Lord Grow as the Lord has directed.

27 The Lord will also favor His Servants, Apostle Terry Laws and Bishop Chris Laws as they also do the work which God has set before them in South America. Let them not neglect that which the Lord has placed before them in the United States, nor in South America, for the Lord has the power and His Spirit to accomplish all that is in His Will.

28 Let Bishop Norris Purifoy, Bishop Willie Coffey and Apostle Edward Coffey move forward with haste to set up locals in Mississippi and Alabama for the Lord has waited long for His people to be restored and know the blessings of the Lord.

29 Let Apostle Larry Gosier know that the Lord is well pleased with his efforts in Georgia and the surrounding area where he lives. May he be encouraged and uplifted, for the Lord knows his burdens and shall overshadow him and have the angels administer unto his needs. Let him also plan and prepare for the journey that is before Him and Apostle Robert Beck in the coming year in the continent of Africa.

30 Let Apostle Robert Beck set his house in order, for the work that is yet before him is critical for the people of the Lord to be warned and prepared in Africa and Eastern Europe. There will be those also of the Apostles who will aid Apostle Beck in this critical work in Eastern Europe and he shall be strengthened and uplifted by the Spirit and power of the Lord Jesus Christ.

31 A band of young elders, is the Lord preparing to enrich and help the work grow. As these are prepared, let them come forward and take up their callings as Elders: Samuel Githinji, Samuel Wekesa, and Jimmy Githinji once he has been baptized and fully committed unto the Lord.

32 The Lord has sought these from among the lost and by His Spirit and His mercy; has reached out unto them to come all the way unto His Salvation and His Church: Zach Swallen, Gabe Morphat, Brian Anthony, Paul Martin, and Sampath Rathnayaka. Let them come forward unto the Lord and His Church and be baptized and filled with His Spirit and His Salvation, for they can be a blessing unto the people of the Lord.

33 Let Wesbery Wanyonyi prepare to labor as a Disciple, in Kenya, when there is an opening in that calling.

34 The Lord has long labored with Disciple Julius Wafula and has known his trials and his burdens. Let him know the Lord is pleased with his work and His faith and shall uphold him.

35 The Lord has and will strengthen and bless Disciple Joshua in his efforts; let him know the Lord is with him.

36 There are those seeking to destroy the Lord’s work with rumors and lying tongues. This the Lord hates. He shall bring forth destruction in their lives. Let the evil ones repent quickly and find mercy, before the justice of the Lord finds them in their own traps.

37 Thus saith the Lord, "I am shaking the nations of this world[6], and those who have sought for power and riches. I have allowed evil to come upon those who have forsaken my Holy Covenant, and for those who deny my Word; I shall darken their path and destroy their seed, and turn their treasures into dust."

38 You see the destruction and horror of the pale horse[7] upon those who have failed to listen unto the commandments of the Lord. You see those who have fought against those who serve the Lord, and failed to follow the laws of God. They have set themselves up as judges of the Word of God and claimed their knowledge and wisdom to be greater than the I AM. Destruction upon destruction and horror upon horror awaits them. The hour of decision[8] is upon the world and the valley of decision[9] is near at hand, as the world has gathered at the door of Jehoshaphat; His Judgement shall come upon the heathen as a swift and terrible sword.

39 The mighty nations of the heathen are gathering against Jerusalem and the Lord has caused them to come to seek to spoil and destroy the tents of Judah. They have long languished, awaiting their chance to destroy the tribe of Judah. Even as this great conflict is approaching; the Lord God is also preparing two of His Servants[10] from the house of David to go forth unto Jerusalem to witness and testify of the Christ and open the eyes of the blind unto the Lord Jesus Christ. When the great tribulation has begun and those seeking to destroy the Lord's people in Jerusalem; the Lord shall send forth His, with power and with His Spirit to bring forth a fountain of living water unto those who have been lost. Many shall look upon Him who they have pierced and shall mourn and return unto the Lord.

40 Let all behold the nation shadowed with wings[11], whom the Lord has prepared from the foundation of the world; which now is not unlike Sodom and Gamora. The Lord God is preparing a fire to cleanse and purify that which He has set aside for the coming of His Holy Temple. Many shall be brought unto repentance and shall seek the Lord with tears

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[6] Mess. 34:3; Mess. 48:10; Mess. 104:33; Mess. 129:29
[7] Rev. 6:7-8; Mess. 122:9; Mess. 125:15; Mess. 129:16
[8] Mess. 95:12;
[9] Joel 3:9-11
[10] Zachariah 12:7-10; Mess. 134:18; Mormon 3:21
[11] Is. 18:1-5; Mess. 140:33; Mess. 128:19:-22

and humility, before the judgement of the Lord shall sanctify and purify this nation of America with fire and His Judgement.

41 Do not deceive yourselves; ye who dwell in the land set aside before the foundation of the world; for the Lord is Just and His sword is two sided. His judgement is swift and sure. His judgement will divide your works both good and evil.

42 The Lord on high is mightier than the waves upon the sea[12] and is righteous before all men. His Words are true and everlasting.

43 He has carried the sinners away with the flood[13] in their sin and kept men from the fire which is yet to come. Who shall stand before the Lord in the judgement of His Word? Hear ye clearly the Lord while yet it is light, because when the night will come and the cry has gone forth; the virgins must have oil in their vessels and their shoes[14] upon their feet. Behold ye covenanted of the Lord: Judgement is set and prepared.

44 All men must be made holy before they can come in the presence of the Lord. I have sent unto each of you my Word and it shall not return unto me void. Be ye Holy before the Lord.

45 Remember the captivity of the people of the Lord and how He has led them out of Bondage. Is it not today as it was in the time of Noah? Ye live in your sealed houses, with sealed minds[15], and souls that have been seared with a hot iron. Repent ye nations of the world, before the fury of the Lord is upon you.

46 My children, my flock in America; God has seen your sacrifice for the nations of the world. He has witnessed thy faithfulness, even though you are dwelling among those who have turned a deaf ear unto the Lord and His Commandments. As He purges[16] the nation that shall be Zion; He shall stand each of you in Holy places and His angels shall provide for thee, a protection from the wrath which is coming upon your nation to purify and cleanse it as it becomes Zion. He is pleased with your tithes,

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[12] Ps. 93:4
[13] Matt. 24:37-39
[14] Ephesians 6:15-20
[15] Mess. 111:4-5
[16] Mess. 104:9

your sacrifices for the lost of this world. Your homes shall stand and your children blessed.

47 Now remember ye who know of the restoration; them who perish, perish of themselves not discerning the hour or the house of the Lord. He has spoken and given unto thee, all that would satisfy your souls and your minds, but yet ye await a further sign. That sign has long been before thee and as with those who have gone on before thee; your procrastination will leave thee in darkness and void of His Spirit. Come out of her, while yet it is light. Some will say, oh but we have the light, while only accepting that which is pleasing unto thy ears and to thy thoughts, and neglecting the hour and the time of our Lord; which He has promised upon the earth this day and this time.

48 To my servants who are preparing to carry the Word to Congo: The Lord has prepared thy way before thee. He has prepared a table in the presence of thy enemies and He shall glorify His name and His Word before them and thy cup shall runneth over. His name shall be glorified among the nations and His Promises shall be fulfilled. Be of good courage and walk rejoicing at His Truth.

49 What the Lord hath done through his faithful servants in America, has been recorded in heaven and the angels of heaven rejoice. He has set His Hand upon the handmaidens in America and honors their sacrifice and their faith. The Lord holds in extreme honor the sacrifice and faith of His Handmaid Arlene Lyles, wherein His presence shall always reside for protection.

50 As the servants of the Lord shall go forth from the house of David, with His angel before them, unto the house of Judah; He shall magnify His name and His Word shall go before them and the nations of the world will witness the power of the Lord.

51 I have come unto thee my scribe with the Word of the Lord, which He has commanded me to carry unto thee, to share with the nations, tongues, and peoples of this world, to prepare them for the Lord's soon coming. Let the bride put on her brighter garments and her servants anoint themselves with oil, and sanctify themselves with His Word.

52 The work of the Lord in the teaching of the ministry in East Africa has fulfilled its purpose and is honored and accepted by the Lord Jesus

Christ. It must continue even in America to prepare those who will carry the gospel unto the nations of the world.

53 Keep yourselves in the love of God, and have compassion, pulling those in sin out of the fire. Present yourselves faultless before the Lord[17]; through the washing of the Word. Know ye are redeemed by the precious blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, who was foreordained before the foundation of the world.

54 Ye servants called, of the Lord: go in faith, nothing doubting. Your mission is one of love. Remember I have called thee to be saviors of men. Be true to your calling and the Lord's Spirit shall abide in thee.

55 I will come again at the Lord's direction and for His purpose. His Word is everlasting, without end, and springs forth with holiness unto His people. For this purpose was I born and for this purpose I have come with this message unto mankind. Be ye holy before the Lord and walk in humility and love. Amen.

One-hundred Forty Third Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the resurrected John the Baptist, the Messenger of the covenant appeared to me in my room in Nairobi, Kenya in the early morning hours of August 10th, 2023. I had been in deep prayer most of the night and troubled in my heart for the delays and possible change in the upcoming journey into Congo; which has long been upon my heart and soul. My sleep was interrupted many times and my mind awakened for the need to pray unto the Lord upon this matter.

His light filled my room, and he stood by my bedside and greeted me; smiling and taking my hand to lift me from my rest. He spoke gently, but firmly as His eyes seemed to pierce my very soul. He gave me the message from the Lord Jesus Christ and then we sat as two men and discussed the work of the Lord that remains before me. He stood and placed his hand upon my shoulder and told me to trust in the Lord and then departed. The following is the Message he brought.

--Apostle Norman D. Lyles

[17] Jude 1:24-25;

1 Arise and take the Message I shall give unto you from the throne of God. I am the Elijah, the Messenger of the Covenant, sent unto you to enlighten and awaken mankind to the hour and the time of preparation for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ to claim His Bride.

2 Why is it your heart is troubled? Why stand ye in doubt? What is your concern for that which the Lord has set in place for thy protection and for the needs of His people?

3 My scribe: ye whom the Lord hath given the Word from the courts of heaven to place before the people; why is thy concern and thy heart troubled? Let thy heart be at peace. Let not doubt or fear be upon thee.

4 What the Lord hath allowed is in His Wisdom, and He alone; who moves the water and sets the stars in place, understands and directs, as He also protects thee from the snare and the plans of man.

5 The Lord knows the hour and the time. It is not for thee to doubt, nor for thee to fear. It is for thee to trust and obey that which the Lord hath commanded and set in place. His timing is not man's and within His timing is protection and light unto the world.

6 There are needs in Kenya; which the Lord hath witnessed and spoken unto His people. The needs to purify and cleanse that which must be Holy. It is from this house, this headquarters in East Africa; must flow His Spirit and His Word unto those in need in Africa. His house must be Holy and servants walking in humility and unity, before Him.

7 The Lord has spoken unto the leadership in the headquarters in Kenya to make corrections and to awaken the sleeper. He has commanded His House to be Holy.

8 What is it to those who shall be sent unto Congo, the hour or the time? Thus saith the Lord, "Have not I told you I have prepared a way and table before thee? Have not I prepared thy hearts to walk as I have directed thee? Did not I set the table before thy enemies and promised to glorify My name among the Nations? Why do you doubt? Have you set the hour and the table? Is your hour and your time, the hour and the time of the Lord?"

9 When my house in Kenya is in order and Holy; then I shall set My Hand upon my servants Apostle Norman Don Lyles and Apostle Fredrick Mikangi and they shall go forward with power and with My Spirit before them.

10 Set forth the Lord's house in Kitale in order and let My house be Holy and then My light shall shine forth unto the nations.

11 I have sent my servant to uplift and teach what is needful unto the leadership in Africa and it has been pleasing unto even the angels in heaven. The work which has been done has indeed filled its purpose. There is now a need to comply among those who have been spoken unto to comply and walk in humility before the Lord.

12 Where is the Unity among the Disciples and Vice Bishops? Why must I send forth my Messenger unto thee to awaken thee, to what has already been commanded?

13 This is a time of haste not only unto the nations of Africa, but even more so unto Europe and America. This is a time wherein the Lord has need to protect His, while yet there is life within them.

14 Many have sought in deep prayer and concern that the Lord speaks upon these matters. Thus, the Lord has spoken plainly to remove doubt and conjecture. Hear ye what the Lord has spoken and be in obedience.

15 Unto my Scribe: why do you hold in your heart sorrow and concern, when yet I have sent the Elijah unto you? This is not yours to decide or question. This is what God has set forth for thy protection and for the good of His people. Trust in the Lord, for His way is not the way of man.

16 The Lord hath designed and set in place that which is needful, and in His Will, in His Plan. Trust in that which the Lord has set in order and walk uprightly before Him and He shall provide the time and hour in which to accomplish all He has commanded to be done.

17 Behold the Lord omnipotent, who reigneth, which was, and is from all eternity, shall allow His Spirit to rule and over rule in all things that pertain unto mankind.

18 I will come again as it needs be and the Lord commands me to come. I am the Elijah sent to prepare His people and His Church to be His

Bride. Put oil in thy lamps and shoes upon thy feet for the hour is near and His coming is very near. Peace be unto all and unto all, trust in His Word and in His wisdom. Amen.

One-hundred Forty Fourth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the resurrected John the Baptist, the Elijah; appeared to me at 2am on December 24th, 2023 in my home, in Grand Junction, Colorado. I had been unable to sleep late in the night and had moved into my office to read and pray a bit, when he appeared at my side. The entire room became as light as day. He greeted me with a smile and commanded me to write the message the Lord Jesus Christ had sent from the throne of God unto His Church, and the people of the world. He was with me for almost two hours and departed around 4:30am. The Following is the Message the Lord has sent for His Church and the world.

--Norman D. Lyles

1 With peace I come unto thee my scribe. I come to do the Will of the Father and I come at His command. I am the one sent to prepare the way for the second coming of the Lord Jesus the Christ. Write this Message from the Lord Jesus Christ. Many have prayed to have the Lord speak and direct the work and plan of the Lord. Give ear and heart unto the Word of the Lord. Let your mind focus upon all that He has sent unto thee this day. I am the Elijah, the Messenger of the covenant, sent from the very throne of God.

2 The great day of the Lord is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the Lord. The earth and the heavens tremble.

3 This is a day of trouble, of treading down, and of perplexity to break down walls. Many of the pools of the earth, shall become as parched ground, and those of my ancient calling shall shake in fear in the land that I have given unto them. The poor and the needy shall seek water, and there shall be none. The mothers and children shall suffer.

4 Those in Israel, shall their tongue faileth for thirst; yet in their trial the Lord shall hear them, and God shall not forsake them. He shall save first the tents of Judah and pour out His wrath upon those who seek to destroy them.

5 Even as the Lord hath promised by His prophets, they shall again be brought to the true knowledge, which is the knowledge of the Redeemer; their great and true Shepherd and as they repent, they shall be numbered among His Sheep.

6 Behold, the Lord Changes not, nor is His Arm shortened, and His Judgement is sure.

7 Many in the nations have allowed pride and the love of praise of men to lead them into sin before God. All selfishness must be eliminated from the lives of those called to lead and to feed the people of the Lord. There are some among you who are puffed up, thinking it is their words are to guide the brothers; when it is Christ's Words which must guide.

8 The time has come that the warning to the churches has come upon the nation of America, and judgement shall come upon this nation and those who profess His Name and His Word.

9 The Lord has seen those who mock and slander the Word of God. Those who have been placed in authority to govern this nation, have forgotten why the Lord had blessed this nation and have brought pain and anguish to the people within this nation and even unto those who look upon this nation for light and a standard.

10 Thus, saith the Lord, "I have called my ministry and my people to be my Bride. Keep my commandments and the ways of righteousness in your hearts and be ye holy vessels, and lo I will quicken your understanding." "Fall not into the hands of the adversary, for that will separate you from my Holy Spirit. It will destroy thy walk before me."

11 Sound the alarm in my holy mountain. Let the people in the land tremble for the day of the Lord is nigh. Seek ye the Lord while yet it is day as His Judgement is coming upon the earth.

12 It is expedient that the Word of God be declared among the people of the nations, for the vials of the angels are ready to be poured out among all nations. The innocent must be warned.

13 Let those whom I have called to carry my word among the nations move out with haste; for behold, destruction upon destruction is coming, even in the nation of America. Soon travel will be in the fire and there will be losses for those who have not prepared.

14 It is wisdom for those directed to move to Canada, to Europe, South America, and unto Africa; to strive to complete their journey before the end of the coming year. Let not your hands be slack and even unto you, my scribe; set your house in order to move unto Congo, with those who will carry the Word to Africa. Let Apostle Fred Mikangi fail not to set his house in order least he bring sorrow upon his family.

15 Let those of the Bishops directed to build locals in America; move out with haste and set a local in Mississippi and Alabama. Let Apostle Edward Coffey assist in this vital effort.

16 Let the Bishops in America be mindful of the Articles of Faith and Practice in their decisions, their deliberations, and in their actions. Let the Apostles labor in Unity with the Bishops and provide guidance unto them in love. Remember, the Lord is Just.

17 To My children in the Philippines: thus, saith the Lord, “My eyes are upon the faithful and those in need. I know of your troubles and your trials. You shall witness the power of the Lord in His Mercy and He shall provide protection for each of you, in as much as you remain humble before Him.

18 To my children in India: thus, saith the Lord, “I know you dwell in a land that Satan has troubled and brought sorrow since the beginning of time, but ye shall be given robes of white when the Lord sets His feet upon this earth.”

19 Let none speak exceedingly proud, or arrogancy come out of your mouth; for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by Him are actions weighed. Let none seek to be above the others in the Quorum of Apostles.

20 Let Richard Johnson repent and return unto the Lord’s Church, while yet there is time, for the Lord knoweth thy heart. Let him put the past behind him.

21 Many suffer in this time with hearts that are burdened with loss and with sorrow. The Lord is not blind unto your heartache and your sorrow. He knoweth those who have lost their spouse and those who desire a spouse. He has promised He will make all things new, and His promises never fail. What He has promised, He shall do, and it shall be far greater than that which has brought sorrow.

22 I have come in this time where mankind is striving to make merry and some have called it a season of love. Thus, saith the Lord, "Where are those who honor and respect the gift I brought unto earth with my coming? The gift I have brought unto each of you who will accept me, is eternal life."

23 Let my people be Holy, even as I am Holy. Only those who have been truly born again and washed in the blood of the Lamb can be Holy.

24 The turmoil among the nations is here; the greatest peril shall fill its place and mankind shall inquire of the Lord their God. Men's hearts shall melt for what they must pass through. The Judgement of the Lord is upon those who have forsaken Him and now the fury of the Lord shall be upon them.

25 Yea, heavy destruction awaits this people, and surely nothing can save this people, save it be repentance and faith upon the Lord Jesus Christ.

26 Let all study carefully the Word in the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Word of the Lord brought unto mankind by the Lord's Messenger that they may understand and walk upright before Him.

27 Conditions have come as I told you. Much sorrow is yet to come, suffering and sadness on every hand. Peace can only come though obedience and faith in Christ.

28 I have carried this message unto the Lord's Church, for all mankind: to the Jews, the Gentiles, and those who are lost. I am the resurrected John the Baptist, raised by the power of God from the dead. I am the Elijah promised by the prophets and by the Lord Jesus Christ Himself and I come not of myself, but at the command of the Lord Jesus the Christ.

29 Let this message go unto the Twelve, the Church and world. Publish it with the rest and let all rejoice and give honor unto the Lord Jesus Christ. I will come again as the Lord commands. Amen.

One-hundred Forty Fifth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared unto me in my home in Grand Junction, Colorado at 2pm on January 7th 2024. I was watching a program on the television. He came up the stairs into my living room and greeted me with a smile, laying his hand upon my shoulder. He told me to get a notebook and pen and take the message he had brought unto me from the Lord.

He was with me for almost two hours. Before he departed he gave unto me some personal counsel and guidance for the days ahead. The following is the Message:

---Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold, the Lord Jesus Christ has sent me unto thee; as there is a great need the Lord speak unto His Church at this time. I am the Elijah, the Messenger of the Covenant sent to guide the people of the Lord that they may become the Holy Bride of the Lord.

2 My mission is, that Church may be fully prepared for the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. I come to prepare a people, the bride. Let all hear what the Lord has commanded me to say unto His People without delay, for now is a time of haste for the people. This is a day of preparation. Let All mankind hear and read my words and prepare to meet the Lord.

3 I have come to disperse confusion, and at times misguided ideas of men. It must be the words in the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Word of the Lord, which will guide all men in the way and plan of the Lord Jesus Christ.

4 I have come unto thee when thy heart is heavy and in deep concern for all that I have brought unto the people. I have spoken not in whisper, nor

in secret. I have come at the need and pleading of the people of the Lord. I am the Elijah, sent from the throne of God to awaken, warn, and provide guidance unto the people of the Lord, unto the twelve, unto the Bishops, and those who are called to carry the Word unto the World.

5 Let those who are called to lead, feed the Lord's people and His Church, read and study all I have commanded them: the Word of the Lord contained in the Bible, the Record of Nephites, and the Words which I have sent unto the Lord's people in His Church through my scribes of three generations.

6 Many in the leadership of Christ's Church are seeking with honest hearts to guide and lead the people of the Lord to be obedient unto the commandments of the Lord. It is for the leaders, to be an example before the people.

7 If any who are seeking to guide and lead the people of the Lord, lack in understanding of the Word; let them fast, anoint themselves with oil, and humbly seek the Lord for understanding of the Word. However, withhold not the Word from the people, nor delay what the Lord has sent unto His People; give it unto the people when I send it unto my scribe.

8 It is needful for the people to hear the words as the Lord sends them, that they may prepare to set their homes as the Lord has commanded, for the tribulation that is coming upon the earth. The Lord has spoken in your language that there can be no mistake or misunderstanding among the people. Read again my words to Otto Fetting on October 27th1929.

9 Let those who shall carry the Word unto the people in the foreign nations study and show themselves approved. Let them be prepared to show forth unto the governments of the nations, their ability to conform to all that is required of the Churches of the nation's rule and law.

10 It is time for those called to lead, to humble themselves and follow the instructions the Lord has given unto His Church. Who among you can claim more than that which the Lord has given and provided for His Church and the people of the world?

11 I have come again that you might not be discouraged in the work the Lord has placed upon you. I have come at the Lord's command to guide and lead the work of the ministry. Trust in the Lord. Let not your heart be troubled by the darkness, which is coming upon the world, for the

Lord shall rule and over rule in all things. Remain humble and give the Message unto the people in love. You have borne witness unto the Church of that which the Lord has sent through His Messenger, now you must witness to others that the coming of Christ is near, least they be lost.

12 This is the time of the restitution and restoration of all things. The Lord has spoken to lead His people in the path of righteousness that they may be found as a Holy People, without spot or blemish. Blessed shall be those who put aside self and follow the Word of the Lord. Blessed are those who humble themselves and walk in righteousness, hearing and in obedience unto all the Lord has given unto His people.

13 To all that overcome, the same shall be clothed in white, for the Lord Jesus Christ, has already paid the price for thy sins and transgressions. It is only through Christ that all men can be made holy.

14 Take heed ye who call upon the name of the Lord; for all that Christ has sent unto mankind, shall be required of men at the judgement.

15 Ye of the Lord's ministry, ye may feel the yoke of laboring for support of your family is a burden unbearable. Remember, with God, all things are possible and what He has commanded, is not a yoke of trouble, rather a mantle of blessing.

16 The Lord is pleased with the youth in the continent of Africa and those who lead and feed the youth with the Word of God. From these youth, will the Lord build a mighty army of saints to carry the Word unto the continent of Africa.

17 Hear ye the Lord's servants in Uganda: honor the Lord with your tithes and offerings and labor in Unity and in Love. Let Apostle George Madembe, the Disciples, and Vice Bishops lead by example.

18 To My saints in the Philippines: the Lord is pleased and honors the work of the ministry in your nation. Though you may not be large in number, He shall still do a mighty work through you. He has witness of the faith of the handmaidens and youth, and shall give them greater witness and strength.

19 Let Disciple Manfred Marks continue in reaching out to those in northern Germany and the Lord shall water the seeds he has sown.

20 Let this Message go unto the world, that all may have a witness that the Lord lives and speaks even yet in this world of turmoil. Let all that I have commanded be done, leaving not one commandment neglected. Let all I have commanded to go to the nations, go forth with haste, understanding the time is short.

21 Let the Bishops in America, take courage and move forward with sacrifice and know the Lord will labor with them as they seek to build up locals in their nation. Remember this is a time of haste.

22 To my servants instructed to carry the word unto Canada; let not your journey be delayed. Soon, travel will be more difficult and the people must be warned and prepared.

23 The Lord is well pleased with the Sunday Broadcasts, which reaches out to those scattered across America. Let those who are part of this flock, help in offerings to bless and increase this vital effort, as it is a blessing unto many, yet let them not neglect their tithes to the headquarters, that the work shall reach those of all the world.

24 The work of the Bishops, under the guidance of the Apostles is no small work and it is vital that their work be honored and held in high regard. The Bishops must insure that all understand the Articles of Faith and Practice and comply with all the Lord has commanded.

25 Remember this is a Message of love, and there are none above another; thus carry it in love and humility to all. The light of the Lord must reach out to the lost, for many honest of heart are seeking answers and salvation.

26 To those who have covenanted with the Lord, He has ransomed them from the power of the grave; He shall redeem them from the death of sin.

27 I have come to make straight thy ways before the Lord, with His Word and Will. to direct the work of the Lord. I shall come again as the Lord directs and there is a need. Let the Lord’s Church continue to be at peace and treat one another in love and understanding. Amen.

One-hundred Forty Sixth Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the resurrected John the Baptist, the Elijah appeared to me in my home in Grand Junction, Colorado on April 11, 2024 at 2:30am. He awakened me from a restless sleep, in which I had been concerned over some difficulties in the Church.

He touched my shoulder and said arise for the Lord hath need of thee. He had the same glow that accompanies his presence and His Voice was kind, yet strong. He handed me a tablet from my desk and commanded me to write a message from the Lord God.

He was with me from 2:30 am until 4am and spoke carefully that I would not miss any word. Before departing He looked at what I had written and smiled, saying let not your heart be troubled, all is in the hands of the Lord.

-- Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1 I have been sent unto you from the presence of the Lord, withhold not words from the inhabitants of the earth. Hearken and hear, ye people for the Lord has spoken. I am the Elijah, the Messenger of the Covenant sent unto you in the Lord's Time and at His Direction.

2 Behold my Scribe, set thy ear and thy mind to what the Lord has commanded thee to write. I have come unto thee from the throne of God and you must use care and write each word as I have spoken it. Give it unto the World, The Twelve, and unto the Church, that all may know the Lord has spoken.

3 When men work in a subtle manner, he destroyeth himself. Falseness and priestcraft brings suffering and pain among the flock. The hour is late for those who seek to deceive. Judgement awaits

4 Leaders in the East African Headquarters: the Lord has sought thee to humble thyself. Say not that the Lord hath placed thee in His Ministry, because of thy righteousness, or for the uprightness of thy heart, rather at His Mercy. For now, even now. as there is light in the Lamp of the Lord; He has come to look upon thy ways.

5 The eyes of the Lord are upon thee. How many times has the Lord admonished the leadership in the East African Headquarters to change and walk upright before Him? The arm of the Lord is not shortened.

6 Unless there is repentance and true change in the Leadership of the East African Headquarters, there will be changes in those called to lead.

7 Let those with true humility and love for the flock and the Work of the Lord prepare themselves and show themselves worthy by sacrifice and honesty before the Lord; that they may fill the vacancies, which shall come. For among these who show themselves forth in humility and love; shall the Lord bring them forth as leaders.

8 To My Saints on Mindanao: Thus saith the Lord, "behold, I standeth at the door and knock, if you hear my voice and open the door I will come into you, and I will sup with thee and thy cup shall runneth over. I shall let my power be among you, and though ye be small in number, even the angels in heaven shall walk among you and minister unto thee."

9 To my saints in Alabama, the Lord is pleased with your faith, your perseverance, and your works. He holds you in high regard and in the days ahead a local shall spring forth as a bud in spring.

10 The house of the Lord is a house of order. He has set forth Apostles, Bishops, Disciples, Vice Bishops, Evangelists, and Elders. Each has their place and responsibility. There are none more important than the other. Each should be lifting the other up and always seeking to bond even as one with each other. Let it be said: See how they love one another.

11 The women of the Church, the handmaidens of the Lord, are as roses among the thorns, providing life and beauty unto a world of thorns. Their work is of vital importance in translations, carrying the Lord's gospel house to house and heart to heart. Some may be needed in office work and even to help those in leadership remain humble and honest. It is not for a woman to usurp authority of an Elder in any meeting however let not the Elders prevent the handmaidens from helping in the financial and business work of the Church.

12 The Work in England and Germany, though seemingly slow at time; is in the hands of the Lord and He shall provide an awakening. All things come in His time and at His moving of the waters.

13 The Lord has prepared the path before Apostle Robert Beck and Apostle Larry Gosier and shall guide their footsteps for success.

14 Whom among you hath seen the Glory of the Heavens, or the secrets of the depths of the Sea? Whom among you hath witnessed the creation of a soul, or followed its return to the hand of the Lord? All of these are secrets known but unto God, But soon ye shall witness the heavens open, the beast destroyed, and know the Glory of the only begotten of the Father. Lift up your heads and rejoice for His Coming is sure and it is near.

15 Satan has sown his seeds of hate and division among those within the government of this nation. He has allowed evil to be called good and good called evil. Men have sought to divide families and the love of righteousness has waxed cold. Witness the masses, as locusts coming to destroy that which is free, turning freedom into bondage. Were not you warned of these days? Even Apostle Peter told you of this time and hour.

16 Where is the watchman? Some saying all things are as before; yet the Lord hath told you: today is as the time of Noah and the flame shall devour even as Sodom and Gomorrah.

17 The Lord hath sent me with a warning, let your souls be awake, for the time of tribulation is coming upon the earth. I have come at His Command, even as the trumpet to awaken and prepare. Remember, I have told you this is the day of judgment, and the plagues have been let. The gospel of Christ Jesus shall be the law and men who will be saved must obey. I shall come again at His Command. Amen.

One-hundred Forty Seventh Message

The Messenger of the Lord, the Elijah appeared unto me at my home on June 7th, 2024 at 1:30pm and was with me for about an hour and half.

I had been deep in prayer for the nation of India and the trials my brothers are facing in that nation. I had been petitioning the Lord to help my brothers in India and also those in other nations wherein some have allowed rumors and lies to cause doubt and division among the people.

The Messenger appeared in my room and stood before me and placed both hands upon my shoulders and asked me: Why are you troubled and sorrowful, do you not understand these things must come to pass as the nations are cleansed? What is it to you of the rumors and lies among the people in the nations? Can you affect the Hindu government in India? The Lord has given unto you, your work and sent you forth among the Lord's people and directed your work and the things you are to do. What is it to thee, that you would cry unto the Lord and think to step aside in your calling? It is the Lord who has called you and directed you. Where is your trust and your faith? The things you consider concerning your calling; are not yours to change, rather to trust and obey. He then spoke words over me I could not understand, but it felt as if my body had received a force that pulsed through my entire soul and body.

He smiled at me and said now take the Message I shall give thee. Following the Message I felt great peace, but extremely weak from the presence of the Holy Spirit. We sat as two brothers, as he advised me on my work in Kenya and Congo, before he departed. I sat there reading the message from God when he had left and wept, repenting for my lack of trust and understanding. The following is the Message from the Lord Jesus Christ he brought unto the Church:

--Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold, I come to you in peace with blessing unto you from the Lord Jesus Christ. Be at peace and let nothing disturb your work or your faithfulness to write that which the Lord has sent unto you. All that Christ has sent unto thee must be written word for word and it is this task and responsibility He has placed upon you. Give this Message unto the Twelve, the Church, and the World without delay.

2 This is the Lord's Work and He has called the ministry from among men to represent Christ and His Church. It is upon the ministry to keep it Holy.

3 As the people gather for the Assembly in America; meet in peace and solemness and let the Lord by His Spirit remain among you. Behold the Lord will meet there with you, for truly this shall be the beginning of great things to come to pass.

4 The Lord is well pleased with the work of Apostle Terry Laws and He will bless him in his efforts and also in his planning of the work in South America. Let Bishop Chris Laws prepare his heart and soul for the work ahead.

5 The cries of the people have risen as smoke unto the Lord, and His arm is not shortened to work and to bring about His Will among His people. The Lord's love and understanding reaches out unto His people this day and He shall provide a healing balm unto His. The Lord knows those who have sought to make a bond with Him and has sealed them by His Holy Spirit.

6 The Lord knows those who have rejected Him and rejected His Word and have become an abomination in His sight. See those who justify darkness to cover their evil deeds. They seek to call evil good and righteousness evil. Behold ye, I have warned of those spreading lies and rumors; and these things God hates.

7 Let not division come upon those in the nation of Kenya, because of the actions and failures of some in leadership in that nation. The Lord's Mercy and patience has reached out to bring understanding and justice in that nation among those who have been called to lead. Let those in leadership in the East African Headquarters move forward in repentance and seeking to labor in the Lord's Will and let them protect the legal registration of the Lord's Church in Kenya.

8 The Work of the Bishops in America, is held in high respect and honor as they have shown compassion unto those less fortunate. He is well pleased with their efforts and their hearts.

9 Thus far, the work of Apostle Robert Beck and Apostle Larry Gosier is accepted of the Lord and the planting they have done in Malawi shall bring forth fruit.

10 When Apostle Beck and Apostle Gosier have finished their work in Uganda, it is the Lord's Will that they move directly into Tanzania as the cries of the people have reached up unto heaven and there is a need to have the brothers move from Uganda directly into Tanzania to help and guide the work with Disciple Abihudi Masatu, in the locals in his region. Let Bishop John Githinji travel to Uganda and move with them as they travel into Tanzania, to guide and labor with them in translations that their work may flow in the Lord's Will. If time and funds, permits, when their work is finished in Uganda and Tanzania; then let them proceed into Kenya to help Apostle Lyles with the work I have instructed him to do in Kenya, but let them not neglect the needed work in Tanzania.

11 There are those who doubt my coming. You have witness of all that I have brought unto mankind has come to pass and those who have sought to deny, do so at their own peril.

12 Let Bishop Norris Purifoy know the Lord knows his heart and His faithfulness. Let him prepare his heart, his soul and his house, for the Lord has a work in the future overseas, therefore he must care for his health and have his house in order.

13 The Lord is preparing the way before Apostle Timothy Gosier and Evangelist Daniel Santangelo in Nova Scotia and shall bless them and guide their footsteps in Canada, let them move forward with haste and without delay.

14 The Lord is preparing a young band of elders to soon take up their work in the nation of America. Let Jacob Staley and Zach Swallen prepare themselves with the Word of the Lord, as they among others shall be needed to reach the people and establish locals.

15 It is Satan who has made the world tremble and moved upon those who spread rumors and lies and send letters of hate among the people. He has influenced even those who listen to the lies and has clouded their minds and their actions and unless they too repent; their end shall be sad.

16 The Lord shall break in two, those who now have brought war unto the tribe of Judah. The Lord of hosts has brought this forth and who shall disannul it? His Hand is stretched out and who shall turn it back? His Judgements are for all eternity.

17 The downcast and the burdened shall flow unto Zion with songs and everlasting joy in their hearts; once this nation is cleansed and the angels on high shall sing praises unto the Lord.

18 Let those who would be watchmen, watch to see what the Lord shall say unto the nations and answer when they are reproved. This is not a time of sleep, rather a time to stand up and hear the Lord and be in obedience. Who among you claims to be led of the Lord, yet hears not the cries of the poor and people in need, and fails to understand the commandments of the Lord in His Word?

19 Thus saith the Lord, “ye who have slumbered and slept; trim your lamps and turn an ear unto the trumpet of the Lord, for Judgement is

near. The time of slothfulness and procrastination to be about the Lord's Work must come to an end. Those who have treated the Word of the Lord lightly and walked in doubt; are now facing the judgement bar of the Lord."

20 Withdraw yourselves from those who walketh disorderly in the work of the Lord. The time is now for the cleansing to move among the proud and those seeking prominence and high positions; lifting themselves up from among their brothers. Let those who desire to lead, humble themselves as did the Lord, who lacked in nothing, but made himself as a servant unto others and gave His life for the people.

21 To my servant Apostle Lyles: as you labor in the continent of Africa, the Lord shall deliver you out of the hands of all your enemies. He knows your trials, and the path before you. He knows your humility and those who seek to destroy you. Have no fear for the Lord is Just and all those who shall seek to harm you shall be trodden down under the Power of the Lord who is mindful of thee.

22 Disciple Neeraj and Disciple Ebenezer: the Lord knows thy faithfulness and thy trials. He is very pleased with your work and your faith. He shall stand with thee in protection and shall not allow thy house and family to be harmed.

23 Let disciple Dhayanithi and Apostle Abraham spend more time together to strengthen the people and the Church. It is vital these leaders in the Church in India, show forth strength and courage unto the people.

24 Let the tithes come in that the work may not suffer. Let all be obedient unto the law of the Lord.

25 Let those in Malawi know it is the Lord who has looked upon them with favor and set apart Disciples to lead and move the work of the Lord forward. Labor in Unity and in love, depending upon the Spirit of the Lord to guide you in all things. The Lord is pleased with your efforts and will set His angels about you to guide you and provide protection.

26 The Lord has set His watchmen in Jerusalem, for it is His Will there is an awakening to the salvation of the Lord Jesus Christ among the tribe of Judah. Those who are watchmen in America shall see eye to eye with the watchmen in Jerusalem and the Lord shall make bare His holy arm in the eyes of all the nations. Those whom the Lord will send to Jerusalem; let

them set their homes and lives in order, for soon the time of Restitution shall go forth unto the tribe of Judah. The Lord shall soon send two of His Apostles unto Jerusalem and His power shall be upon them.

27 Let the leaders whom the Lord has called to labor among the nations, not neglect those in need in those nations; least their good work be tarnished by neglecting the Lord's commandment to care for the poor and those who are suffering.

28 I have come at the Lord's command and the needs of the peoples of the nations and let all who would be found with their lamps trimmed, rejoice and be prepared. I am the Elijah sent to set the Church in order and to carry the Message unto the Church from the throne of God. I will come again as the Lord commands. Amen.

One-hundred Forty Eighth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared unto me on July 12th, 2024 in the nation of Nairobi, Kenya at 9:45am in the room where I was staying. I had been praying deeply for directions to guide my actions and work here in the nation of Kenya. Brother Wilson and Brother Duncan had been with me earlier this day, but needed to go about their duties for the day.

The Messenger smiled and greeted me filling my heart with great joy and awe of his presence. He said the Lord has observed all that has transpired since my arrival in Kenya and is well pleased with all of the brothers who have come to Nairobi to seek and obey the Lord.

The Messenger then commanded me to obtain a notebook and write the Message which Christ had sent unto His Church and His Apostles to guide us and give us clarification and directions. The following is the Message from our Lord Jesus Christ.

--Norman D Lyles

1 Behold, arise and take the Message I shall give unto thee from the throne of God. His Word and His Directions are unto all of the Church and the World. I am the Elijah, risen from the dead by the power of God. I am the Messenger of the Covenant, sent to engrain the Word of the

Lord in the hearts, minds and souls of all mankind and the ministry the Lord has called. Write my words carefully and without error and with diligence.

2 Thus saith the Lord, " I came unto Moses, meek among all men, and set forth My Will and My directions for those who would belong to Me and be part of those who I desired to be obedient unto My Word and my Laws." There were those who doubted and sought to worship false gods and build gods of gold to worship. Ye who call upon the Lord this day: be ye holy and obey the Words I have sent through my messenger, the Elijah, prophet of the highest.

3 The Lord has brought those who would be His People, His Children, and His Bride out of the precepts of this world and given unto them their lands, their blessings, and their hope. Who can deny the Power and will of God and the strength of His Word?

4 The Lord has witness of the Meetings in Nairobi Kenya of the Twelve and Bishop. He moved upon them by His Spirit and His Word and is well pleased with their thoughts and obedience unto His Directions and their Unity.

5 The Lord now speaks directly unto the Twelve Apostles whom He and He alone has called and set aside to lead and direct the work of His Church. Let them turn an ear and mind to all that He speaks unto them this day. There is no greater responsibility was ever placed upon man than taking the gospel to the nations of the earth in its purity. The Lord told you this in 1931 in His Message through Otto Fetting, and The Lord is not a man who can change; the Lord does not change. His commandment given then is the same today.

6 The Lord has commanded the Twelve to work in Unity and as One, with none above another. His Church is one universal Church and complete, without division or separation. It is man who has divided the world into nations and cultures and governments. It is the Lord who has made His Church and He alone who shall Keep it until He returns to bring His Kingdom to Rule and overrule the governments of this world. Every knee shall bow at His return and Judgement shall come among all mankind.

7 The Lord has given direction unto the leaders of Kenya concerning corrections and actions needed to legally establish His Church, both in name and in registration. I have commissioned the entire twelve to work as One Body to protect this Registration, and the twelve must not be divided as the boundaries of the nations are. The Governments of the nations have their law, however the Law of God is eternal and without control from mankind. Let not the mind of the twelve try to work independently as representative of their nation, rather let them function and labor as the Government of God and His Church and in total unity. Therefore, be mindful and diligent in my commandments concerning the Registration of the Church in Kenya. It must be Registered as The Church of Christ with the Elijah Message Inc. and with nothing added or taken away from that name.

8 The Lord has witnessed the repentance of Apostle Fredrick Mikangi and has looked upon him with mercy and love and shall sustain his ministry, let him continue in obedience.

9 Let Bishop John Githinji move quickly in repentance and work in Unity with his fellow Bishops. He has given much unto the Lord and sacrificed much to serve the Lord and His Church, let him use wisdom and caution least he stumble and fall in the time left in his life.

10 It is with extreme need I have sent my Messenger unto the twelve and Church to speak concisely that there be no division or misunderstanding of the Word of the Lord among them. Let all consider that which the Lord has directed.

11 The Lord has set forth and established His Church and General Church Headquarters in America. In 1994 and 2003 men tried to overthrow the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message, claiming themselves as Apostles and Bishops. These same men who God removed have moved among some in the other nations to try to present themselves as men called of God. The Lord sent His Messenger unto His scribe W A Draves, removing these men from ministry and membership. These same men have gone forth and tried to ordain false ministry and did so having no authority from God. Let all of the Churches throughout the world know that Mobutu and William Holden are neither ministry, nor members of the Lord’s Church: The Church of Christ with the Elijah

Message Inc. and are an abomination in the sight of the Lord Jesus Christ and have nothing to do with them.

12 Behold, it is easy to give heed unto the Word of Christ, which will point to you a straight course of eternal bliss, as it was when He led his people across the waters to the promise of a land He would give unto them in the Americas. All that is required is humility and trust in the Words of Jesus Christ.

13 The Lord has with much honor witnessed the work of Apostle Robert Beck and Apostle Larry Gosier in their labors in Malawi, Uganda, and Tanzania. He has witness to their faithfulness to the Word of God and given them strength to run the course, guiding and teaching the people. He is well pleased with their sacrifice and efforts and their work has been recorded in heaven.

14 The Apostle Darrel Bellamy has been and is a blessing unto the Lord's people and his reward is certain in Glory of the Lord. Let him be at peace knowing the Lord is well pleased with his faithfulness and His Love for the people of the Church.

15 It is wisdom and in the Lord's will and plan that Apostle Larry Gosier began to help Bishop Reejay Bello Dacut set up and form a local in the State of North Carolina. He should also labor with Bishop Norris Purifoy and Bishop Willie Coffey in Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi to secure and establish locals in those states. Let him pass the chairmanship of the twelve to Apostle Terry Laws, so he may concentrate his efforts more effectively in the needful guidance and establishment of locals in the southern United States.

16 As the Apostle Timothy Gosier and Evangelist Dan Santangelo move into Nova Scotia let them be aware there is a need to further the gospel into the nation of Canada and therefore began to seek out those in that nation to once again build locals up in that nation. They must focus their minds and their abilities to further the spreading of the Lord's Church, as time and funds permit.

17 Let all remember there is but one Lord, one baptism, and One Church which is called out from the world to be Christ's Bride. Those who come unto the Lord and His Church must pass through the waters of Baptism and abide in His Word contained in the Bible, the Record of Nephites,

and the Words brought unto mankind through His Messenger John the Baptist resurrected and have hands laid upon them by those having the Authority of Jesus Christ.

18 Let Bishop Norris Purifoy set his house in order, be mindful of his health, as he and an Apostle will travel to the Philippines to firm up the work and understanding of the Church following the absence of Bishop Reejay in that Nation. He should prepare in the coming year to labor for a time in the Philippines to secure an understanding among the Disciples. And then return to America and his work in the United States.

19 All the Lord has said in instruction and directions must be followed, as the Lord has spoken concisely that there can be no doubt in what is required of the Leadership in His Church.

20 The Lord is in control of His Church, and will overshadow His people with love and peace in as much as they walk in His light and in His Word. I have come at the direction and great need of clarification and understanding of the people of the Lord and the Lord shall pour out living waters upon those that belong unto Him. I will come again at the Direction of the Lord Jesus Christ. Be at peace and love one another. Amen.

One-hundred Forty Ninth Message

On July 29th, 2024, the Messenger of the Lord, the resurrected John the Baptist, appeared in my room in Nairobi Kenya. For several days I had been in deep sorrow and much stress, trying to understand and help achieve getting the Word of the Lord into the Democratic Republic of Congo. My family back in America, were faced with problems and trials I could do nothing about other than pray. Some had no understanding of the trials that had beset me as I labored in the nation of Kenya.

I had been weeping and praying in the night, seeking the Lord on how to be obedient to His Commands and instructions, and had many long and sleepless nights. My prayers unto the Lord came with many tears and anguish in my soul.

When the Messenger appeared unto me, he lifted me from where I was and embraced me as would a father unto a son. He held me as I wept. His presence

and His love filled me with peace and he took a tablet from my desk and said take the Message which the Lord has sent me with unto you; give it to the brothers, unto the Church, and unto all mankind and let not your sorrow continue for the Lord knoweth all things and it is He who shall remove all that Satan has placed before you and the Church. The following is the Message. I pray that all who read it will understand the Power and the Love and Peace of the Lord. He was with me for a time and forgive me; however I cannot say how long or the exact time he was here, but his presence and His Words brought unto me much peace. He departed at 4:15am.

—Apostle Norman D. Lyles

1 Behold, arise and write the Message I shall give unto thee. I am the Messenger of the covenant, sent to set in order the Church and ministry of the Lord. I am the Elijah. I have come not at my own choosing or mind, rather at the command and Will of the Lord Jesus Christ. Give this message unto the Twelve, the Bishops, and the world. Let all know the power and love of the Lord as He sends forth His Words and His guidance for His people.

2 Satan has hindered the work and progress of the work in the Democratic Republic of Congo. He has troubled the work in headquarters in East Africa and tried the souls of those who have sought to walk uprightly before the Lord. It is he who has sought to bring confusion and doubt among some of the members in Kenya. It is he who has troubled the registration in Kenya.

3 The Lord has accepted the decision of the Twelve to send forth Apostle Peter Wekesa and Apostle Fredrick Mikangi to hold fast His Spirit among those He has drawn unto this work and His Church in Congo. Their efforts to hold fast those seeking to become part of the Lord's Church will bear forth fruit and the Lord shall water the work in the nation of Congo.

4 In the coming fall of 2025, it is the Lord's will that Apostle Norman D. Lyles, Apostle Larry Gosier, and Apostle Fredrick Mikangi proceed into the nation of Congo to complete what God has commanded and firmly establish the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message; ordaining Disciples and Vice Bishops and beginning the registration process in the nation of Congo. Let them plan their time to be for at least one month,

before returning Apostle Norman and Apostle Larry unto America and Apostle Fredrick unto Kenya.

5 Long the Lord has awaited for the ministry in the nations to become Holy and has sent forth His Spirit to guide and help the ministry. He is well pleased with most who have labored in sacrifice and love to serve the Lord's People. He shall pour out His Spirit in great measure upon those who have faithfully labored, seeking to walk upright before Him.

6 It is wisdom and with mercy, that Bishop John Githinji be released from his responsibility as a Bishop to care for the urgent needs of his family and His life. He has long served faithfully in his office and responsibility, however there are needs within his life and his family that are needful to care for, therefore let him step aside from the responsibility as a Bishop, that the needs in his personal life will not hold back the work of the Bishop's Office. Let John Githinji continue his work in the capacity of a Disciple in the nation of Kenya, serving faithfully to feed the people on the Word of God. Let him labor closer to home so that he may also fulfill the needs of his family.

7 It is the Lord's will that Disciple Wilson Asiachi be ordained as a Bishop. The Lord has witnessed his faithfulness and His honesty in all that he has done in his ministry and therefore has placed upon him this responsibility. The Lord shall place His Spirit upon him in great measure as he faithfully labors within his calling and ordination as a Bishop and the Lord will hold him in the hollow of His Hand.

8 The Lord has witnessed the Unity and humility of the Apostles and Bishops in America, and is well pleased with their efforts and faithfulness unto His Word. It is pleasing unto the Lord to see those in the nation of Kenya seeking to guide and bring the ministry into holiness before Him. He will in time, make them a shining light unto all of Africa, however yet there is more to be accomplished in this effort.

9 It is the Lord's Will that Apostle Robert Beck and Bishop Norris Purifoy travel to the Philippines in the coming year to fill the void from the absence of Bishop Reejay Dacut, in that nation and help those in leadership in that nation to teach the tithing law unto the membership and leadership more fully. Let them guide the Disciples in their efforts to work more fully with Apostle Roger Simpson in that nation. If time and

funds permit let them also briefly move into India to encourage and uplift the ministry in that nation.

10 The Lord has not changed or altered his Word placing the overseeing of the work in the foreign fields in the hands of Apostle Larry Gosier and Apostle Norman D. Lyles. Each of the Twelve Apostles has a work to do and each of the Apostles shall be accountable unto God for that which the Lord has placed before them; He shall bless them in their unity and love for the people.

11 In time other of the Apostles shall assume the work of overseeing the work in the foreign fields, therefore let them put their homes and lives in order that the work may not suffer.

12 Let my Scribe be mindful of His health, least his time upon this earth be taken from him, before his race and responsibilities have been done. There is yet much to be accomplished, therefore be mindful of the Lord's Words.

13 I have sent my Evangelist Dan Santangelo with Apostle Timothy Gosier; to Canada to help the saints gathered there. I have sent them as one, for the time is near that brother Dan will take up his calling as an Apostle and once he does, both he and Apostle Timothy Gosier will labor together often and in power unto the nations they will be called to labor.

14 Let the brothers who are laboring in America bring forth men who will become the leaders within the Lord's Church in America. Let them find and mold those who will be in the ministry of the locals in America, for great is the need for evangelists and Elders to serve and bless the believers in the nation of America.

15 You have witnessed the coming of the Great Tribulation coming upon the entire world. You have been warned and even now those in the nation of Israel are suffering the horror of death and destruction. Soon their nation will require the help of America and America shall be drawn into the conflicts of the Great Tribulation such the world has never seen and will never see again.

16 America has known the division and the falling away from God's protection and His Word. Even now, as Satan's influence has found its way into the nation and government, seeking to destroy the faith and love

of the Lord from her people. The Lord shall by His Spirit and by His Will, move upon the nation and government in America and His Power shall overcome the snare of Satan. Many have suffered and the children have been led astray. The purging has begun and God shall let His Power and Rule come upon the Government and people. When the purging is complete it shall be Zion. Let all seek the Lord in prayer.

17 Let the handmaidens of the world know the Lord has heard their prayers and their needs. He shall open the heavens unto them and they shall not want, for the Lord has witnessed their faith and love for his Word. Their work and their faith is held in great honor.

18 Let David Beck in Germany know the Lord is mindful of his trials and his faithfulness to the Word of God. The Lord will provide a healing for him before the Lord returns to gather His Saints and David shall be among them.

19 Once again, the Lord has sent me unto His people, to bring guidance, directions, and protection that there would be none lost. His Mercy and His Love are without end. I am the Elijah sent unto you from the throne of God, to serve and restore all things anew upon this earth. I shall be with the Lord at His return and shall come again unto His Church as He would direct: for this purpose, was I born. Amen.

One-hundred Fiftieth Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared unto me in my room in Nairobi, Kenya on September 1st, 2024 at 1:40 am and was with me for about forty-five minutes. We visited for a short time as brothers and he gave me counsel concerning my thoughts on my own ministry and told me to trust in the Lord in all things. The following is the Message:

--Norman D Lyles

1 Behold, arise and take the Message I shall give unto thee from the throne of the living God. I am the Elijah, sent to purge and purify the ministry, that they may bring the spring of living water unto the lost

sheep. I am he, whom the Lord has raised from the dead, I am the messenger of the Covenant.

2 You see the confusion and destruction, as Satan unleashes his fury upon the world. Be not shaken or in fear, for through His power and His glory the Lord has and will overcome all the horror that is being brought upon mankind. Therefore, let the children of God seek to walk and abide in the light of Jesus Christ.

3 The Lord knoweth those who suffer. From His Mercy Seat, He shall send His angels unto those less fortunate and unto the widows and orphans.

4 Let the Bishops and Apostles neglect not those in desperate need. Where is the concern and obedience to uphold the poor and those in great need? Can the Lord bless those moving out to the nations and neglect those in great need of physical needs? Let the Bishops withhold not help to those in desperate need.

5 The Lord is well pleased with the work of Apostle Fred Mikangi and Apostle Peter Wekesa in their efforts in Congo. There is much yet to do and Satan is struggling mightily to keep those in that nation to himself, but the Lord shall overcome.

6 The Work of His Servant Lyles, in bringing unity among the brothers in Kenya and protecting the Registration of the Church in that nation is held in deep respect and honor. Let him continue to guide and aid in this process.

7 There are some in the ministry who still are slow to follow the Lord's commandments concerning the tithe and will do so to their own destruction. Let those in ministry lead by example.

8 Those who profane and destroy the children in the nation of America shall know the fire of hell. From His Throne the Lord shall bring His angel of death upon them.

9 Let Apostle Timothy Gosier and Evangelist Dan Santangelo move forward with haste into Canada at Nova Scotia.

10 Let Havdley Mwenesi come all the way and come through the waters of baptism and serve the Lord as an evangelist.

11 Let the Lord's Servants travel unto Paul Martin and lead him into the Lord's Church, bringing him through the waters of Baptism and when he is fully converted: and ordain him as an evangelist.

12 Let these seeking the Lord and His Church know the Lord is calling them to come all the way and become one with the Lord and His Church: Gabe Morphet, Jeremy Runnfeldt, Morris Lodenyo and Matthew Lunsford.

13 Let Disciple Amos Mutibo know the Lord is well pleased with his faith and his ministry.

14 The Lord has long looked upon the servant Sam Ebenezer and desires he fully take up his calling as an evangelist and prepare to serve the Lord as a Disciple in his nation.

15 Let Bishop Norris and Bishop Willie proceed without delay to Mississippi and Alabama; spending sufficient time to establish locals in those states. Let Apostle Edward aid in this effort, also spending sufficient time to insure the locals are established.

16 Let Apostle Larry Gosier continue to reach out to the needs of the souls in Georgia and North Carolina and the Lord shall bless him.

17 The Lord shall raise the poor out of the dust, and those in need shall be cared for by the mercy directed unto the Church by the Lord. He will keepeth the feet of the saints and lift the handmaidens in honor.

18 It shall be well with him who keepeth the statutes of the Lord and keepeth the laws of the Lord. Let him that seeketh the Lord and His Will; humble himself and anoint himself in deep prayer, before he speaketh the knowledge of his mind; understanding the wisdom of man is not the wisdom and will of God. That which the Lord will direct and perform is not that which the mind of man can conceive or understand.

19 The Lord has directed the work in the nations of Kenya, Malawi, and Congo; let not the mind of man seek to change what the Lord hath directed and put in place.

20 The greatest time of trial is yet ahead and will require those moving unto the nations, great submission and courage to be about the Will and Work of the Lord.

21 The Lord has spoken and given directions to lead and sanctify the nations and His Ministry, but will they follow their own thoughts, their own will, or submit unto the Will of God?

22 I have come at the Lord's direction and at His command. Take this message to the Twelve, the Bishops, and the World. Let it be published in the churches and in their language with great haste. I shall come again as there is a need and the command of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

One-hundred Fifty First Message

The Messenger appeared unto me in my home in Grand Junction, Colorado at 9:10am on January 4th, 2025. He greeted me, placing his hand upon my shoulder and acknowledging the pain upon my body from a recent knee surgery. He said the Lord would bring forth a good healing of my knees.

Great joy filled my heart and soul to witness the power of His Word and His presence. Truly to realize the Lord Jesus Christ loves His people and speaks words of encouragement and guidance unto each of us, is a blessing beyond words. The following is the Message:

--Norman D Lyles

1 Rise, for the Lord has sent me unto thee with His Words and Directions for mankind. I am the Messenger of the Covenant, the Elijah, who God has raised from the dead and now sends to purge and cleanse the Ministry, and open the eyes of men unto the Lord and feed them upon the Meat of the Word and the Holiness of His Spirit sent to awaken and bless mankind.

2 Give this message unto the Apostles, Bishops, the Church and unto the World. Do so in haste using great care to be concise with each word and honor unto what the Lord has sent.

3 Hear ye shepherds of the world; thus, saith the Lord, "My sheep have wandered in the mountains, through the plains, into the deserts of this world in search of the peace that can come only through the words and

teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ, but some of the Shepherds have sought to feed themselves and neglected the flocks. Woe, woe be unto the shepherds who neglect the flock."

4 All of the children shall be taught of the Lord and great shall be the peace of the Children. These children are the heritage of the servants of the Lord. Great is the respect of the Lord for the teachings and efforts of Disciple Tom Matekwa, Bishop Wilson, Ronald Wanyama, John Githinji, and Fredrick Mikangi in their efforts laboring with the youth of East Africa during the youth Assembly in Kitale.

5 The Lord Jesus Christ, has witness the suffering of Disciple Neeraj and Disciple Ebenezer and the great work of these fine Disciples in India have been doing and holds them up in the Hollow of His hand and shall provide for them greater strength and protection.

6 Let there be more unity and love between the brethren in the Philippines.

7 There is a great need for the shepherds in America to rise up and build the locals through sacrifice and dedication unto those seeking to find answers in the Words of the Lord. Let them spend more time among the people.

8 Let Jacob Staley know the Lord is well pleased with his efforts and his humility in his ministry. Let Him prepare in study and deep prayer for the Lord will yet place more responsibility upon him in the future as a Bishop in the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message.

9 Let Disciple Bunvikane Seraphin in Congo prepare himself to labor with the Apostles as they come to train the ministry in Congo in Theology and labor in the baptism and training for baptism with the ministry in the mountains above Bukavu. They will be arriving in early August of this year 2025. I have placed the planning of this mission in the hands of my servant Lyles and it is imperative He listens closely to the Spirit that the Lord shall place upon Him.

10 Let those in Malawi use wisdom in their planning and missionary efforts. Let Disciples exercise greater caution and planning as they seek to build up Malawi and neighboring nations.

11 As the Apostles in the nation of America prepare to once again move among the nations outside of America; let them fully prepare in their knowledge of the Word; understanding it is upon their shoulders to ground the believers in those nations, enabling the ministry in those nations to obey and satisfy the law and regulations placed upon the ministry in those nations, least the churches in the foreign nations suffer unnecessarily.

12 It is time and needful that Moses Lwanga be ordained as an Evangelist and labor in unity with his fellow ministers in Nairobi, Kenya.

13 You are witnessing the sons of the Moabites and the sons of Edom falling into the judgment bar of the Lord and stirring the winds of war with the tribes of Judah. They shall know that I am God, when I have laid the land most desolate because of all their abominations which they have committed. Even now as many are seeking for peace and hoping for peace with Israel; the day of decision is nearing in the valley of Jehoshaphat.

14 The Lord has laid His hand upon the nation of America, and the embers of the cleansing of her leaders in government has begun. The Lord shall have His Way in the awakening of the people and those chosen to lead; for in spite of man; the Lord shall rule and overrule in all things.

15 The nation of America must prepare to defend Israel and this is the Will of the Lord that the tribe of Judah may have one last opportunity to receive the Lord Jesus Christ.

16 The Work in Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, Kansas, Colorado, North Carolina, and Missouri must move forward in the year of 2025; for the people of the Lord are ripe for the harvest.

17 The Lord has commanded the Work in Nova Scotia and Canada is of great importance unto the cleansing and preparation of the people for the time that is soon upon that nation. Let the brothers Apostle Timothy Gosier and evangelist Daniel Santangelo, work be continued least any be lost.

18 The Lord is well pleased with the plans and efforts of Apostle Terry Laws in a mobile ministry and let He and Apostle Norman D. Lyles labor closely while yet there is time.

19 Let the Work in South America continue, however seek the Lord in the planning and greater length of time spent in that continent to truly accomplish the conversion of the people and their understanding of the Word. There is great work that in time shall be done, however let it be planned with careful consideration before the brothers continue their return to that continent.

20 Let those who can move from the cities do so, as the sword of the enemy shall be upon the city, therefore let the people began to prepare themselves to become self-sufficient, building themselves a storehouse for the ravages that are coming upon the nation.

21 Behold, the remnant of Israel is being gathered even now in this midnight hour; so, sing oh daughter of Zion and rejoice with all thy heart, with the daughters of Jerusalem, for the Lord Jesus Christ shall not forsake thee, nor turn thy lands to the Moabites and those of Edom; rather He shall free thee from the shadow of death. Even as the Lord is gathering Israel unto her land once again from where they had been scattered, He is providing the fire of David for thy protection and to present the Word of salvation unto thee.

22 These words I have sent unto thee through my Messenger, The Elijah, my messenger of the covenant, I have spoken it and it shall come to pass. What the Lord has set in motion, nothing can overcome, nor frustrate. Be of good courage, for the Lord is true unto His Word and has overcome the deceptions of the devil. I am the Elijah and I shall continue to bring forth His Word from the throne of God to guide, purge and clean the ministry and people. His Church must be holy and His people with pure hearts and clean hands. Peace and Joy be unto each of you. Amen.

One-hundred Fifty Second Message

The Messenger of the Lord appeared in my home at 1:15 am on the 22nd day of March, 2025. I had been waiting up for a call from Bishop Wilson in Nairobi, Kenya and praying for the needs in that nation. He appeared in my living room and we spoke briefly on some personal matters and discussed the

problems in India. He also shared some suggestions on my health and the work that is yet ahead. The following is the message from the Lord Jesus Christ:

--Norman D. Lyles

1 Arise and take the Message from the Lord, God of heaven and of earth. I am the Elijah sent from the presence of the Lord to carry His Words and directions for mankind today.

2 Take heed to the hour of the Lord moving upon mankind in the world this day, for men will mark this time upon the earth today, as the pause before the storm of the fury of the Lord upon those who have betrayed His commandments.

3 See those in America, who persecute those of my first covenant; they run to and fro holding themselves up as judges of right or wrong of the nation of Israel, all the while claiming to care for the poor, the widows, and the children. The judgement bar of the Lord will not deal kindly with these who rebel and seek to persecute the innocent.

4 Look with sadness upon the door unto Congo, which has been closed, for many souls shall suffer in anguish for decisions and actions that the governments have allowed to be in these perilous hours; the Lord will delay His servants from their work in Congo, to protect His servant's lives.

5 As you prepare for the coming Assembly in America; let the Apostles and Bishops plan and secure the coming Assembly that all will be done with Authority given unto the ministry: feeding the Lord's People with the Word. Let the Assembly be led and guided by those who's authority comes from the throne of God.

6 It is wisdom following the Assembly in America that two Apostles be placed full time in the field to labor and build locals in the nation of America.

7 Let Apostle Larry Gosier be placed in the mission field full time in the States of Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Missouri for the space of one year to secure and set up locals in those states. Let Bishop Willie

Coffey and Bishop Norris Purifoy, labor with Apostle Gosier in this effort, as time, health, and funds permit.

8 Let Apostle Terry Laws be placed in the field full time following the Assembly for a space of one year to labor in the states of Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma, and Texas. Let Apostle Lyles labor with him in this effort as time, health, and funds permit.

9 Let the Work in South America move forward, once proper planning and a month be available for this effort. The Lord will bless and provide His Spirit to be with the brothers as they move to labor in South America, however let them devote at least a month unto this effort.

10 It is the Will and plan of the Lord that Apostle Edward Coffey labor with Evangelist Jacob Staley following the Assembly labor to build locals in the State of Missouri for the hour is near for the people to begin to assemble themselves and awaken those near the temple lot, as the hour and time of the Lord will soon be at hand.

11 Let my Scribe Apostle Lyles, plan on attending the General Church Assembly and then briefly move into Mississippi and Alabama to encourage the work in that area, before returning to his home state of Colorado.

12 Let Bishop Jai Sing plan on laboring for a short time with Apostle Abraham and Disciple Dhayanithi in the south of India, however let him use extreme wisdom and caution in his efforts.

13 The Lord is pleased with planning of Apostle Timothy and Evangelist Daniel in their coming efforts in Canada and Nova Scotia. Let them move forward with boldness, carrying the Word of God unto the people.

14 Let Apostle Robert Beck and Bishop Norris Purifoy labor closely with Apostle Roger Simpson in the Philippines and teach the brothers there to properly use the funds set aside for missionary work; always in unison with the Articles of Faith and Practice, remembering it is the Apostle’s responsibility to oversee the missionary efforts in that nation.

15 It is not wisdom at this time for the Brothers Beck and Purifoy to go to India at this time.

16 The Lord is pleased with the efforts of Handmaidens in America, and He holds them deep respect and honor.

17 Let those who are coming unto the American Assembly, prepare their hearts, minds, and souls that they may be a light unto those seeking Christ in America.

18 Behold, this is the time for men to prepare to meet God. Do not procrastinate the day of your repentance until the last, for no man knoweth the hour or the place where he shall stand before the Lord in judgment.

19 Know this, ye who read my words: the Lord shall not dwell in unholy temples and know ye not, your own body must be a temple that the Lord can dwell.

20 Let the Elders, Disciples, Vice Bishops, evangelists, Bishops and Apostles continue to grow in knowledge through studies in Theology, that they may impart with authority knowledge to those whom they labor with in the nations.

21 The Lord hath shown you good from evil that you might choose life, and in choosing life you can be restored through repentance and forgiveness. Choose ye this day that which is good and righteous in the eyes of God and walk therein.

22 The Lord has sent me unto thee this day to open the eyes and hearts of mankind. I am the risen John the Baptist, the promised Elijah to restore mankind unto the Lord God and His Gospel. The Lord has sent unto each of you words of life, let your hearts rejoice and your soul set to serve the risen Lord Jesus the Christ. I shall come again at His command and will be with Him as He returns to earth to claim his own.

23 As mankind is planning peace, there shall be no peace except in the hearts of those who have given their hearts and souls unto God.

24 Turn your eyes unto the heavens, your thoughts unto the Word of God; for the Lord shall send me, His Messenger again and will awaken many of the Churches of the world that He is yet speaking unto mankind in this the midnight hour of the world. Amen.

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