CHRISTIAN MEDICAL FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL

THE BLESSED COMPANY

During the past twenty five years it has been a rather distinct privilege to meet with people throughout our fair land and Canada, as well as overseas, who are unusual and beyond the ordinary. These people have something in common which could best described as being one in Christ. They are what the Book of Common Prayer calls the "blessed company of all faithful people" ("members incorporate in the mystical body of God's Son"). It truly does not seem to matter much whether these friends are of other denominations, of other nationalities, or even of foreign speech. They may even be from lands behind the "Iron Curtain". They have family characteristics which are common to all. For one thing they have their Father's eyes - eyes of love and compassion, eyes full of light - and beauty. How lovely are the eyes of His saints - those who walk in and are filled with the Light!" For the fruit of the Light consists in every form of kindly goodness, uprightness of heart and true ness of life" (Ephesians 5:9). "The light of the body is the eye: If therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!" (Matthew 6:22,23).

Regarding Israel (not the country but the people) this nation is called (Deut. 7:6) "an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto Himself, above all the people that are upon the face of the earth". In I Peter 2:9 Israel is termed "a chosen generation, a royal priesthood an holy nation, a peculiar people". To be a member of such a people, such a family or company must indeed be greatly desired. The problem modern man faces is one of attempting to determine who he is and when he has determined his identity how he might join the "Blessed Company". Paradoxically we find that Jesus told his disciples (John 15:16) "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit—and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you". One cannot join the Blessed Company, he must be chosen. Apparently God calls many to be His children but only few respond in order that they may be chosen.

One may join the church, be baptised, go through confirmation or various other rituals of membership and yet never become one of the Blessed Company. It is difficult to comprehend the corporate salvation espoused by some denominations where there is the belief that one is saved and has eternal life through joining the church. Through the maze of contradictions and confusion in present day churches, modern man must find the truth of Christ for himself and then elect to become one with Him.

For descriptions of the people of God one must search the scriptures. The First Epistle of Peter is very thrilling when it tells us the inheritance and family characteristics of those who have been born again. Regarding inheritance, the Blessed Company is a "chosen race", "a royal Priesthood" (2:9), "sojourners, strangers, exiles, pilgrims in this world: 2:11), a "free people" (2:16), "united in spirit" (3:8). St. Peter tells us that the chosen ones are "born again" (1:23), sober, living as children of obedience unto God (1:13,14); holy (1:14,15) members of a spiritual house (2:5), moral (2:11) respectful, honest and honorable (2:15,17).

St. Paul in his letter to the Hebrews talks about the people of faith in the Old Testament. His words are most revealing. "These people all died sustained by their faith but not having received the tangible fulfillment of God's promises, only having seen it from a great distance by faith, and all the while confessing that they were strangers and temporary residents upon the earth. Now those people who talk as they did show plainly that they are in search of a fatherland. If they had been thinking with remembrance of that country from which they were emigrants, they would have found opportunity to return to it. But the truth is they were yearning for and aspiring for a better and a more desirable country, that is, a heavenly one. For that reason God is not ashamed to be
called their God for He has prepared a city for them. (Hebrews 11:13,16). "You have not come to a material mountain that can be touched...but rather, you have approached unto Mount Zion, even to the city of the living God the heavenly Jerusalem, and to countless multitudes of angels in festal gathering, and to the church of the First-born who are registered as citizens in heaven, and to the Judge Who is God of all, and to the spirits of the righteous who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the Mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood which speaks of mercy..." (Hebrews 12:18, 22-24).

At this time of year when both Thanksgiving and Christmastide are drawing near most of us think of family and friends and those who mean much to us in our daily lives. When the country was less populous much of family and community life was centered in the church. Now the church finds itself in a diminished role. Also the family has become separated and indistinct because of our occupations and the need to be located near our work. As a result, modern man faces life without strong family ties and perhaps with even more tenuous ties to a church family.

Like the ancient children of Israel, instead of inspiration coming from pulpit or established home, God again speaks to us through burning bush and smoking mountain. In the midst of our wilderness wanderings these past forty years God has been speaking to us in unusual times and strange places. I shall list a few of these for those who in various ways will remember some of them:

1) The Pathology laboratory of the University of Michigan when Dr. Ruth Wanstrom asked "Do you believe that Jesus Christ heals today?
2) The Au Sable River early one foggy morning where the Kyrie Eleison was etched upon my failing heart.
3) Lake Murray Lodge at sunset - sitting on the rocks jutting into the lake - where Jesus spoke peace to my soul.
4) A starry cold night in Henderson, Texas crying out to God a variation of the theme: "Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani".
5) Drinking from a cool spring in the mountains of Eastern Poland sensing the purity of God's earth.
6) An early bright morning filled with the songs of thousands of birds in the hills above Kossen, Austria where God showed me His broken heart and gave His hope for His earth.
7) Those times when one is first privileged to hold his children and then his grandchildren in his arms for the first time—to sense God's enduring love and hope for time to come.
8) The swirling cooling healing clear waters of our little place of restoration in the mountains of North Georgia where the cross of the world is washed away and the balm of Gilead is liberally applied to the soul and spirit.

Such are the gifts which come to him who through the fire of life has somehow heard the voice of God calling him into the Blessed Company of all faithful people—the true church—"the church of the First Born" (Jesus), the Royal Priesthood. This Thanksgiving and Christmas let us rejoice for who we are—and what we are becoming. "Pressing toward the mark..."
FINANCES OF CMF INTERNATIONAL
CMF PROGRESS REPORT

It is with thankful hearts that all of us here at Christian Medical Foundation enter the holiday season. Surely the Lord has done great and wonderful things for CMF. Your generosity and the generosity of the physicians who attended the October Conference, enabled us to purchase land south of the CMF center on October 12th (which will be used for the Bethesda project) with a payment of $135,520.00. We thank you and the Lord Jesus for making this miracle possible. As President of Christian Medical Foundation, and speaking for its Board of Directors and Advisory Board, I want to most sincerely thank you for your loving generosity and this indication of your wonderful support for this endeavor.

We now own the land for the Bethesda Center and have the underground connections of water, electricity and the lift station for disposal facilities. We would like to lay the footings and put up the steel supports. We feel that when this is done the rest of the monies will come in for the building.

Please remember the Foundation in your prayers and giving, especially from now until the year's end. Your generous continued support would assure CMF of entering 1984 debt free. In order to do this we will need $45,000.00. NEEDED 45 FRIENDS TO CONTRIBUTE $1,000.00 BETWEEN NOW AND DECEMBER 31! For those of you who will make this possible and will be helping and praying in the future, we extend our heartfelt thanks during this holiday season, and also the assurance of our love and prayers. May God richly bless you in every way.

Is. 25:1. "Thou hast done wonderful things, thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth." WSR.

A Resolution adopted at the 1983 Meeting of CMF, Resolved: that American Medicine, Education and the Chruch should reaffirm the concepts of the whole person--spirit, soul and body -- that the spirit controlled by Jesus Christ and its consideration become the primary aspect and thrust of our lives and thoughts. We affirm our orientation and support of Life -- as Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life. We affirm and support the concept of respect and honoring of life which God has given us, which means standing against abortion, infanticide and euthanasia -- standing for the protection of the lives of the unborn. We stand for morality and for a holy, righteous and sober life. We must begin to have a positive input toward our society. We support and must become involved in The Right to Life, movement in and out of the church. We must make our voice heard, become involved in politics and begin to stand for righteousness. We stand against atheistic and humanistic hospital administrations which restrict the spiritual consideration of patient care. We affirm the need of Doctors and nurses to pray and to lead their patients to Christ.

Yes, I would like to help Christian Medical Foundation proclaim the new Spiritual Medicine.

Please find enclosed my donation for:

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I would like this donation to contribute towards:

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MONTHLY HAPPENINGS NOTICE

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DAILY PRAYERS AT 1 PM IN THE CMF CHAPEL. EVERYONE WELCOME!

NOVEMBER 1983

EVERY TUESDAY--10 AM, Ladies' Bible Study, Kay speaks at

10:30 AM. Dr. Reed at 1 PM, healing service at 2 P.M.

NOV. 26--Daytona CMF Station Meeting, First Presbyterian

Church, 620 S. Grandview Ave., Daytona Bch., FL, 7:30 PM.

DECEMBER 1983

EVERY TUESDAY--Same as above.

DEC. 15--Dr. Reed, FGBMFI - Edmonton Regional Christmas

Banquet, Edmonton Inn, Edmonton, Alberta. 7P.M.

Contact: Rudy Knop, 10704-46 St., Edmonton, Alberta T6A 1YB

DEC. 16--Kay, So. Edmonton Women's Aglow Luncheon Meeting

Contact: Diane Lane, 403/467-4474.

DEC. 16--Dr. Reed, FGBMFI - Camrose Chapter, Christmas

Banquet, Camrose, Alta. 7:00 P.M.

Contact: Cliff Drieger, 403/672-4025

DEC. 17--Dr. & Mrs. Reed, a brunch for doctors and spouses,

Edmonton, Alberta. Dr. Reed will speak on Logo-Psychosomatic

Medicine. Contact: Dr. Gerry Schwalfenberg 5804 141 St.

Edmonton, Alberta, CANADA 413/ 435-2143.

DEC. 17--Dr. Reed, FGBMFI - Stettler Chapter, Christmas

Banquet, Stettler, Alta. 7:00 P.M. Contact: Rudy Knop,

10704-46 St., Edmonton, Alberta T6A 1YB

The Daytona Station Meeting for December is cancelled.

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NOTICE: ALL PHYSICIANS AND THEIR SPOUSES

The Twelfth International Conference

on Logo-Psychosomatic Medicine will be held

October 3-7, 1983

MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR!

CASSETTE TAPES AVAILABLE: "Light, Health, Life vs. Darkness,

Disease, Death". This is a talk given by Dr. William Standish

Reed at a Tuesday CMF Meeting. Order tape #5929B. For each
tape ordered send a check for $4.00 + postage and handling.

HEALING THE WHOLE MAN--MIND, BODY, SPIRIT, By William Standish
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<td>Christian Latin American Missionary doctor desires residency position in hospital in Internal Medicine of FP. E.C.F.M.G. and FLEX exams passed.</td>
<td>Lojoya Clinic Orica, F.M. Honduras, C.A.</td>
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<td>Christian Clinical Psychologist wanted to join spirit-filled group in rural So. Va. Missionary type only should respond.</td>
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<td>FP needs a partner in practice</td>
<td>Foundation for Christian Medical Care, Charles S. Davis, Ph.D., M.D., Drakes Branch, VA 23537.</td>
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<td>Need partner in practice- FP &amp; GEN. SURGERY.</td>
<td>PH: 804-568-4281</td>
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<td>R.D. MacDougall, M.D.</td>
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<td>Needs Plastic Surgeon partner</td>
<td>1207 S. Queen St., York, PA 17403. PH: 717/846-8869</td>
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<td>Opportunity for Christian FP for Locum-teinen. 7/84 for 9 to 12 mos. to replace MD in a 3 man group. Colorado lic. requirements recognizes National Boards &amp; all state exams except FL</td>
<td>E. Thomas Carlson, M.D. Radio Rd. at Shademoore Dr. P.O. Box 1206, Tavares, FL 32778 PH: 728-1656</td>
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<td>Positions in GEN. INTERNAL MEDICINE at ORU. Immediate openings in Gastroenterology, Invasive Cardiology, Nephrology, Neurology &amp; Rheumatology. Send C.V. and 3 references.</td>
<td>John K. Graham, M.D., 3000 Fairfield Ave., Shreveport, LA 71104</td>
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<td>PA seeking a position in medical capacity for a surgeon or surgeons in GEN. SURGERY or the larger specialty areas.</td>
<td>William G. Bach, M.D., 176 Virginia Ave., Rochester, PA 15074 PH: 412/775-5208</td>
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<td>Third year resident in FP residency to end 7/84. desires to be assoc. with group of Christian doctors. Interested in missionary medicine.</td>
<td>Frank Bolles, M.D. or Marvin Dunaway, M.D., 2880 Folsom, Boulder, CO 80302 PH: 303/449-5330</td>
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1983 Tampa CMF Conference- In early October almost 300 physicians and their spouses gathered for a most enlightening and profitable meeting. There was a balance between the scientific, the spiritual and therapeutic aspects of such a gathering. The topic this year was "The Doctor and His Own Health". Headlining the speakers was Dr. Kenneth Cooper of Dallas, Texas who gave two outstanding talks on exercise physiology and health maintenance. Physicians representing every field of medicine presented their papers and discussions relating to personal wholeness. One most happy aspect of this year's meeting was the song leading by Millard and Trudy Posthuma. Millard is a general surgeon from Cadillac, Michigan now residing in Louisville, Kentucky. Millard suggested that doctors and their wives who played instruments should bring them to this year's meeting. As it turned out we had piano, viola, trumpet and five violins. Christened the "Spiritual strings plus trumpet", the group had great fun--and led in much happy singing and praise. How different from the typical Methodist meeting! The Ephraim McDowell award this year was presented to a cardiologist, Dr. John Merriman of Tulsa. John gave some wonderful reflections upon the life of Dr. Ephraim McDowell. He also described the missionary needs in Central America and the Middle East. On Saturday afternoon following a magnificent luncheon at the Christian Medical Foundation Center held under the trees and in the gardens, there was a wonderful time of prayers and fellowship as the doctors and their spouses--and clergy and lay representatives gathered for a blessed time of prayer and praise. The beautiful sunshine was streaming down--and in the distance God was rumbling His Thunderous Amen! There was great rejoicing in the Sunday morning service at the CMF chapel when it was realized that the doctors had given sufficient funds to allow the total purchase of the three acres to the south of the center, plus enough in addition to buy the computer for the CMF office. This means that CMF physicians and donors from August 15 to October 10 gave over $120,000. This is a real miracle and one for which we truly give God and His Blessed Son--all the glory. We also deeply thank all the doctors and lay supporters of CMF who so freely gave. God bless you all. Genesis 18:14 "Is anything too hard for the Lord?"

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PLEASE CONTACT

Need GEN. SURGEON to share practice. Must have a FL license & be Board Certified.

Robert H. Hux, M.D., F.A.C.S. 
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