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Missionary Report from Europe

Apostle Norm Lyles

We began our missionary journey on February 1, 2010 of our Lord. I departed Grand Junction, Colorado at 6:10 am and flew to Denver, then Chicago, and finally onto Frankfurt, Germany; arriving at 5:20 am on the 2nd of February.

It was snowing and the airfield was covered with about 5 inches of new snow. Descending through the clouds in the early morning, still dark, it was indeed a beautiful sight to behold!

My Brother's Larry flight was delayed from Boston and he arrived about two hours later. After gathering my bags, I went to the location where Larry would arrive. Not long after Disciple Robert Beck joined me and we shared warm greetings and our joy to labor once again in the Lord. My heart was filled with Joy to set my eyes once again upon this fine brother. We shared in many things and spoke of what we would do here in Germany. Larry's flight arrived and we welcomed him to Germany.



Once again the three of us are to labor for our Lord here in Germany and in Africa. Having gathered our belongings we loaded them in a rented car and began our journey to Bad Harzburg, Germany and to some of God's precious souls who awaited us there. During our journey along the snow covered roads and through a heavy snow storm, my mind retraced the times I had previously come this way and the sights and feelings and experiences I had been blessed with previously. I remembered clearly the first time I had met Robert Beck and presented him the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and now I amazed at his

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FOREWORD

The Assured Way, the official publication of THE CHURCH OF CHRIST WITH THE ELIJAH MESSAGE inc. comes to you as an expression of hope we have in Christ.

In its pages are found the thoughts and expressions of a united people, whose only aim is to promote the cause of Christ by spreading abroad to every nation, tongue, and people, the true gospel of Christ, that through obedience to his laws we might be found worthy of eternal life

In this publication, <u>The Record of the Nephites</u> is quoted many times. This book was revealed and translated by the gift and power of God: The year 1828 marked the beginning of the restoration of all things. It is a history of the people who once lived in the Americas, some who are the ancestors of the Native America Indians. Though it contains a record of two other groups of people who once lived in the Americas, it is for the most part a record of the people of Nephi.

The Messages so often mentioned in this publication are messages from the Lord, brought to earth by his chosen servant John the Baptist, who comes to earth in a glorified body to finish the work given him of God; that of restoring all things (Matthew 17:11). The angel first came in 1829 and restored the priesthood authority of the Son of God, that The Church of Christ might be established as in the days of the Apostles.

In 1927, the angel messenger again appeared, and on numerous subsequent visits, has brought to us The Word of the Lord that the Church of Christ might be set in order, that a people might be prepared to be the bride of Christ. This "The Elijah Message" so many have looked for, "The midnight cry" has been proclaimed, a warning of destruction, but to the people of the Lord, a message that Christ's coming is near at hand. Fear God and give glory to his name, for the hour of his judgment has come. Awake thou that sleep and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.

We hope that whosoever reads these pages might make it a matter of prayer and fasting in humility before God, that they may know for themselves, that God ahs again spoken and revealed His will from Heaven. To this end we dedicate *The Assured Way*.

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The Quorum of Twelve recognizes the teaching and wording found in the <u>Bible</u> (Authorized King James Version), <u>The Record of the Nephites</u>, and <u>The Word of the Lord: Brought to Mankind by and Angel</u>, as our rule and guide as the stable wording of God.

It is the agreement of The Quorum of Apostles of this church that no minister of this faith is to ordain any man into the ministry of this church until said candidate has with all his heart and soul confessed he agrees with everything written in our *Articles of Faith and Practice*. It is each elders duty to seek guidance from and to keep the apostles informed of his works in regions he is laboring.

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growth and maturity in the Lord and the Word of the Lord. I shall always thank God for His Mercy and His guidance to meet and Disciple this fine Brother. I also thought upon my family back in Colorado and understood well how much I shall miss them and ache inside for them. It is truly a blessing to have a wife such as Arlene, who supports and prays for me as I travel for the Lord. It is not an easy thing to be apart, yet I do trust God will protect and bless her in my absence. It is truly good to know those whom you love, support and pray for you every day.

Arriving in Bad Harzburg, we were greeted by Sister Barbel and Brother Ulf. They had arranged a good place to stay during our time in that part of Germany. We were able to have several studies there together in the Word of the Lord and share in the Gospel of Christ and the Love of Christ. We also were able to travel to Lieberburg and have the Lord's Supper with Sister Nancy, Sister Barbel, and Brother Ulf. Sister Nancy is the daughter of Ulf and Barbel. We then, the next day traveled

to Helmstedt and met with Disciple Manfred Marks and his mother. So many precious memories flooded my heart and soul visiting with Manfred. This wonderful Brother has been and continues to be a strong blessing unto all who know him and have the good pleasure of meeting him. I feel such joy that Ulf, Barbel, Manfred and Nancey all live within the area of Bad Harzburg and are able



to meet together and share in the Word of God. These are part of our Brothers and sisters whom carry the Gospel to the needful in Germany. Disciple Beck and Disciple Manfred Marks are truly faithful Brothers in the Lord and men of substance and good character. God has provided stable leadership in these fine men. Ulf Potzschke who is married to Sister Barbel is a man

the Lord will use as His Disciple in the future here in Germany. Ulf has been blessed with a quick mind and a willing Spirit and a loving heart for the Lord. I thank God for him and all that labor in Germany.

We traveled from Bad Harzburg, Germany to Eindhoven, Netherlands. Disciple Robert Beck drove us along the snow covered highways and provided us with a wonderful Spirit of God; filled with peace and joy. Robert Beck has a seemingly unending amount of energy and joyfulness in the Lord. It is always a pleasure to labor with him and we look forward to bringing him with us to Africa.

We arrived in Eindoven on the evening of February 6, 2010; to be welcomed by Frank and Jane Mulders, I. had not set eyes upon this wonderful couple since 2002 and my heart was filled with joy and thanksgiving for preserving them through these years. They made us feel very much at home, taking us out to dinner and fellowshipping late into the night. Only God's love can make such a family so friendly and open to

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share in the love of God.

The next morning Brother Larry led in a beautiful study of God's Word contained in third Nephi, chapter 18. The Lord's Spirit was in abundance and all present were filled with the peace of God which comes in such a study. It is a joy to be laboring with Larry again and to once again be in the home of Frank and Jane.

We departed their home on the 7th for our journey back to the home of Robert Beck and as we drove back to Germany from the Netherlands, each of us traveled in our own thoughts and the knowledge of the journey awaiting us into Kenya. We

arrived in Burladingen and Robert took us to dinner in an Italian restaurant before we were to retire and rest that night. The next two days were spent preparing Robert for his journey to Africa and visiting some of the precious souls he has been laboring among. Larry and I also did our laundry and repacked our own things for the coming journey. We also contacted our families and Brothers and Sisters in America and told them of what had transpired thus far in our Journey. In the morning at 2am of the 10th of February we shall drive to Frankfurt for

our flight to Switzerland and then on to Kenya. On the night of the 10th at 7pm we shall arrive in Africa and began the work in that part of the Lord's Vineyard. Thus I close this part of our report to each of you who continue to pray for us and support the efforts we strive to accomplish for the Lord and His Church. I truly pray each of you may have an understanding of what we are doing for our Lord and as representatives of each of you. God bless you and fill you with Joy in these reports and in His Spirit. Amen

New Books and Assembly 2010

The Quorum of Apostles decided in their last meeting to print new copies of "The Word of the Lord" and "The Record of the Nephites" We are hoping to have the books ready by the General Assembly in July. If you want a new book of either "The Word of the Lord" or "The Record of the Nephites" you can obtain one in person



during the Assembly or by contacting Chris Laws at chris.laws@elijahmessage. net. or by calling 785-643-3336

The General Assembly will be held **July 18-21, 2010** in Lone Jack, MO at the Lone Jack Civic Center at 509 S Bynum Road, Lone Jack, MO 64070. Hope to see you all there.

Missionary Report from Kenya

by Apostle Norm Lyles

Arriving in Kenya on February 10, 2010 of our Lord we were greeted by our Brother John Githinji and Sister Gillian Shivairo who had traveled through the valley of the shadow of death to come and greet us and give us safe escort to Kitale, Kenya and the work of the Lord in East Africa. They were Joined in greetings us by Brother Ronald Kasembeli and his lovely wife Linda. These precious souls gathered us at the airport and brought us to the Christian Guest House in Nairobi.

Sister Gillian, in spite of serious wounds suffered in her home during an attack upon her and those children in her home; had traveled with Disciple John Githinji to gather us in Nairobi upon our arrival in Kenya. On their journey to gather us; the bus was overtaken by men who sought to rob and kill all upon the bus. They were driven into the bush to be forced outside and lay upon the ground face down and

robbed; yet by the grace of God their lives were spared (usually in such instances all are killed). These brave souls made the journey to insure our safety and good transport to Kitale, Kenya.

During our time in Nairobi, Disciple Beck, Apostle Larry, and I took care of the needful business that was needful for our time in Africa. We helped our Brother Beck to get his visas and we also obtained our Tanzania visa. We also were blessed to enjoy the company of Brother Ronald and Sister Linda in Nairobi. We introduced Ronald to the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message (Sister Linda is already a member.), and prayed for their lives, their home, and God's Blessings upon them. These two precious souls share love of God so freely with all and had warmly blessed us with food, and blessings of God in their love and friendship toward us. It was an honor to spend time in their home and in their lives and know

that Christ is laboring with them in great measure.

As we prepared to leave Nairobi we were then also joined by Disciple Fred Mikangi and Sister Beatrice. The blessing of God to have these two beloved souls from Kitale to come also and insure our safe journey to Kitale warmed our very souls and the joy we felt could not be measured. Disciple Fred came even though he suffered with malaria and typhoid and both he and Sister Beatrice had a joy and warmth that had no bounds.

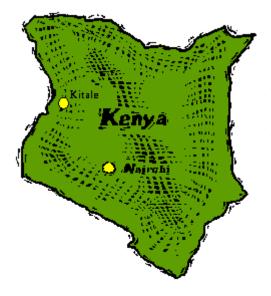
Such are the Brothers and Sisters in Kenya, whom travel at hazard to their own lives to share the love of God and fellowship, to care for us the least of all the brethren and bless us with food, fellowship in Christ, and unto our every need. How can one measure the goodness and Christian love that is displayed in the actions of these our Brothers and Sisters? Simply the journey

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itself is wrought with danger and hazards, but with no thought for themselves, they come and care for our needs.

We arrived on the evening of the 13th of February in Kitale, Kenya, knowing all the while that even in Nairobi we would return and labor further with those whom have need and hunger for the Word of God in that area.

It had been eight years since Brother Larry and I had been in Kitale and yet it was as if we had never left. We walked to the Church plot and the temporary church which was erected there. We praised God for His Mercy and Goodness, in providing us once again



to look upon a work of God which had begun so long ago.

God's goodness and grace has a way of humbling each of us, and I know full well that each of us: Disciple Robert Beck, Apostle Larry Gosier and myself felt with deep humility the Spirit of God and His Blessings which were very obvious to even the casual observer here in this place. We were also blessed greatly with the love of a young child of two years named Terrence Wekesa: who would be an almost constant companion during our days in Kitale.

Sunday morning of the 14th of February 2010 found us in the Kitale Local preaching and sharing the Word of the Lord to over 300 beloved souls and some guests from other denominations. The Lord was the most honored quest and led all whom had come to be fed with His Word and His Blessings. God's healing was in abundance and so was the gift of prophecy and of tongues and interpretation of tongues. Disciple Beck preached upon Love and shared the importance of having the love of God in all that we do. Apostle Larry continued in the service of the Lord sharing his experiences in his first coming to Kenya and how much the Lord has blessed and helped the people to grow and prosper in Christ. He shared also the importance of holding fast to the doctrine and foundation of the Lord and remaining true to the promises we have made to God. I followed, preaching from Philippians chapter 1 and 2 and the forty-fourth message concerning following the Lord and remaining in His Will and not allowing our own desires and wants to overrule the Spirit and Power of God. I also stressed that it must be that those around us may witness Christ within us. The service was then blessed with hymns of worship and Apostle Larry leading us in praise worship through song.

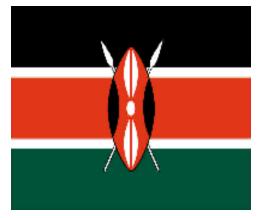
At the end of the service we were honored with gifts from the flock and local of the Lord. They presented (Continued from page 6)

each of us and the Disciples and Sister Gillian with a rose, a plaque, and a wreath for our necks. The presents touched me so very deeply and warmed my heart to overflowing. I feel so unworthy of the love that each of my Brothers and Sisters share with me each day.

On Monday the 15th of February, the Lord blessed us with meetings with some of the membership and Elders of some of the locals. God blessed us in these meetings with a fine man, married with seven children. His name is Daniel Michoki Mogaki Bore and we studied with him and others who had gathered in the Church for a time on fasting. The Lord God moved upon the Spirit and he was called and ordained as an Elder in the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message. Apostle Norman D. Lyles ordained him, assisted by Apostle Larry Gosier and Disciple Robert Beck.(this was done on February 17, 2010) On the 17th through the 19th we met with the Disciples from

Kenya and Uganda to plan the work while we here in Africa. The meetings carried into the night and we were honored to find the Disciples in Unity and filled to overflowing with the Spirit of God. These men are good men, filled with honest hearts and willing hands to do the work of God. These are men with families and men who understand responsibility and the importance of having God in their lives.

During this same time we were blessed to speak with Brother Gideon Mare, a member and brother in the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message for over ten years, whom I had met in 2002. Gideon is a contractor, building large buildings and the Spirit of the Lord rests upon him. We discussed with him the possibility of finally building the East African Headquarters and requested he let us know the cost and how it could be done. He pointed out we have several carpenters, electricians, plumbers, and brick masons within the Church Membership and he would



donate his time, his architect to draw up the plans and help us get all the government permits.

The Lord's Church here in Africa has grown in numbers and in Unity of the Spirit and is rapidly expanding into other nations from this point of Kitale and surely it is time to build a headquarters here in East Africa, where all the nations in East Africa may come and learn of the Word of the Lord and of His Restoration of the Gospel of Christ that men have so long ignored. Yes, there are thousands of Churches throughout the world, but Jesus promised He would indeed restore His Church unto mankind that all might have a true chance to hear the complete Word of God

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and not the ideas and doctrines of man.

After much prayer and consideration of the Word of God and His Holy Spirit: God's Holy Spirit bore witness to each of us (Larry, Robert, and myself), that indeed it was time to construct the house of the Lord for East Africa. We had Gideon Mare have his architect draw up the plans with our input and contributions. Then he explained the cost in total detail. Then Disciple Beck of Germany offered to help in the building costs and to help us to oversee the building of the headquarters that all might be accomplished in the Will and Plan of the Lord.

That night Larry and I called our brothers in America: Apostle Terry Laws and Apostle Darrel Bellamy and gave witness of all we had seen and done. We spoke to them of the need of the headquarters and the need of the nations in East and Central Africa to be able to gather, worship, and meet with the Lord to guide and

bless the work here in this great continent. The Spirit of God washed over Larry and me as our Brothers in America were of one Spirit and in total unity! Within my heart and very soul God's Word's contained in Message 81:21 filled my vision and the Lord speaks saying, "Let the house of the Lord be built, and 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."

And also when there is Unity among the faithful His Work shall be done. The Unity and the Love that fills the hearts and souls of our Brothers in America, and throughout the world, is complete and in harmony with the Spirit of God. Even as my Brother Terry and Brother Darrel spoke unto us we could witness the Lord's Spirit in all that they shared with us and it was difficult to contain the joy of the Lord and His Power. To have such Brother's as these fill our hearts to over-flowing. I thank God always for our Brothers there in America. We truly thank each of you for your prayers and your support, without which the work of the Lord could not be accomplished.

The house of the Lord in Kitale will be completed before Brother Larry and I depart Africa! It will be built through the Power and Grace of our Lord Jesus the Christ and the understanding and blessing and prayers of our Brothers and Sisters in America and Europe.

As I close this report we prepare for Services in Kitale on Sunday the 21st and our then departure for Rwanda, we pray that each of you can rejoice and have a small understanding of the things of God transpiring in Africa as you pray and support the Lord's Work. We shall continue as possible to keep you informed of all that God is doing today in this His Church throughout the world. God bless each of you.

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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.

- 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."

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