

Announcement Letter June 2016

Dear Brethren:

Special greetings to our friends and brethren around the world, with expressions of love and solidarity for all who are seeking to hold firm to God's revealed way of life. Your support for this little remnant body continues to be consistent, both materially and spiritually, and we thank you for being a key part of our ability to continue to do this work of service to all who have come to value the doctrines of the true Jesus Christ.

This is the month in which we will keep that very significant Holy Day, Pentecost. It is significant because of its meaning in God's comprehensive plan in dealing with the human family, detailing a "time of salvation" for a firstfruits harvest, separate and distinct from God's work with the majority of the world. It is also significant because of its role in the prophesied departure from Truth that God foretold would occur within His true church in the last days. That diabolical change from Monday to Sunday in 1974 within the Worldwide Church of God was *the beginning of the end* for that physical parent church, and we are still witnessing the *destructive ripples* of that most egregious error in embracing "human scholarship" over God's divine revelation, even forty-two years hence. When will God's people ever finally wake up to the fact that the test for salvation has always been the defense of God's divinely-revealed Truth over the concepts and ideas of men? Most of God's church at large today are still clueless about this point, and until they finally come to recognize it, they will continue to fumble in the darkness of their self-made spiritual wilderness.

The fact that we understand the sanctity of *the one-and-only day* that God set apart to be hallowed as Pentecost—and it is always a Monday—does not make us better. If not for God's mercy to grant us open minds to see, we likewise would be steeped in the same deception that infects the majority. Why do they not only shun, but hate, Monday Pentecost, in spite of the fact *the entire church kept it in unity* for nearly forty years? Is it because, having rejected *the source* of Truth—God's revelation through a chosen servant—He literally sent them *a strong delusion* to force them to learn the bitter lesson of their spiritual incontinence (2 Thessalonians 2:11)? Just look at the state of the church at large, and it should be evident that chasing every new doctrine under the fallacy of "growing in grace and knowledge" has been an utter failure and an abomination to the people of God. May God grant them in His perfect time to finally learn that lesson and to begin—as ancient Israel many times did eventually—to humble themselves and to make their way back to the God whom they have abandoned.

In the meantime, each one of you who is not arguing over doctrine—but instead *accepting as a little child* the inspired teaching of our High Priest and Soon-Coming King—can be certain to appear on *the correct day* to bring your offerings and to show real respect for God, our Revelator. May your observance of Pentecost be truly inspiring, and may you each take heart that you are part of a small but significant remnant keeping the light of that revealed Way of Life burning strongly, even in the midst of these very dark and perilous days.

Deaths

It saddens us to report the death of Mrs. Carmen Petrini of Sylvania Waters, New South Wales, Australia. She died May 9, of a massive heart attack. We offer our condolences to her family and friends.

We also are sorrowful to report the death of Mr. John Byrd, of Lometa, Texas, who died Thursday, May 19, after suffering a severe stroke about three weeks earlier. He was 86 years of age and a longtime member of the church; a beloved minister to us all. He will be dearly missed. We offer our condolences to his wife, Wilma Jo, and his children and grandchildren.

Camp Tejas

Camp Tejas begins on July 8 in Walton, Oregon, and we ask that you keep it in your prayers so that it may be an enjoyable, successful experience for everyone involved, and that all may have safe travel to, from, and during their time at camp.

Holy Day

Pentecost..... Monday, June 13

New Moon

The new moon, Sivan (third month), begins Monday evening, June 6. The new moon day is Tuesday, June 7.

Trip Schedule

Mr. Jon Brisby

June 11, 13 (Pentecost)..... Lausanne, Switzerland
July 23..... Danville, Illinois
July 30..... Boston, Massachusetts

Mr. David Brandenburg

June 13 (Pentecost)..... Eugene, Oregon
July 9..... (Camp Tejas) Eugene, Oregon
July 16..... (Camp Tejas) Eugene, Oregon

Recorded Sermon Schedule

Sermon #	Mailed	Played	Title
WSE-JB 182	05-12-16	05-28-16	By What Authority?
WSE-RC 39-15	05-12-16	06-04-16	Confrontations and Responses of Jesus Christ #15
WSE-JB 183	05-12-16	06-11-16	How Do We Differ?
WSP-JB 35	06-02-16	06-18-16	What Is Real Love?
WSE-JB 184-1	06-02-16	06-25-16	What Is the Spirit in Man #1
WSE-JB 184-2	06-02-16	07-02-16	What Is the Spirit in Man #2
WSE-RC 39-16	06-23-16	07-09-16	Confrontations and Responses of Jesus Christ #16
WSE-RC 39-17	06-23-16	07-16-16	Confrontations and Responses of Jesus Christ #17

In Christ's service,



Jon W. Brisby