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Local churches are always looking for members who can help them grow. We need those who have ability to influence the lost for Christ and strengthen the saved. We appreciate all the assistance they can lend in doing the most important work on earth. There are three soul winners who are often over looked in our plans for evangelism. The big scheme gets our attention, but probably these three quiet workers do more than all our announced, organized plans. Do you know these three soul winners?

“Ma Bell” is a great soul winner. Christianity is the “reach out and touch someone” religion (John 6:44, 45). Churches that really grow utilize “Ma Bell’s” services. We may not always have time to travel to someone’s home for a visit, but we can pick up the phone for a call.

“Ma Bell” is good at inviting neighborhood children and relatives to Bible School. She offers to come by and pick up those who need rides. “Ma Bell” excels at checking on the sick. Often the sick do not feel like entertaining guests, but a warm phone call is appreciated,. “Ma Bell” likes to encourage the discouraged. When members miss worship, or at least seem less enthusiastic about Christ’s cause, a phone call from a caring elder, preacher, Bible teacher, or friend may be just encouragement they need.

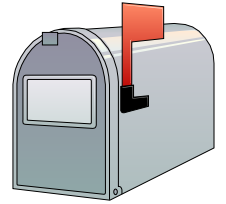
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[editor’s note— Most of us in Hart County can call every person in the county locally as well as much of the surrounding counties. If you subscribe to the extended area calling offered by the phone company, you can call from just south of Hodgenville to the Tennessee line. That is a distance of 70 to 80 miles and includes many counties with tens of thousands of people. In some places I have visited, a call of just a few miles in the same county is long distance. We can visit, encourage, and evangelize via the phone without having to “dress up” or even leave our homes. —Marty]

“Mr. Postman” is a great soul winner. The U. S. Postal System assists the cause of Christ in ways it never realizes. Every day “Mr. Postman” delivers scores of birthday, anniversary, and get well cards from caring Christians. He takes the Gospel to homes every week via bulletins and religious papers. He assists diligent students in their studies of the Lord’s word. (Acts 8:31; II Timothy 2:15) “Mr. Postman” is an effective and inexpensive way to win souls.



[editor’s note— Letters are currently 42¢ for a first class letter under one ounce. Postcards are only 27¢. Consider the great good that can be accomplished for only a few cents. —Marty]

“Henry Ford” is a great soul winner. Perhaps no one does more to build up local churches than “Henry Ford.” He travels to teach home Bible studies, visit the sick and erring, and invite newcomers to services. He encourages area congregations in their meetings and makes his way to the homes of lonely shut-ins. He aids those who need to go to doctor’s appointments, get groceries and delivers pantry items.

Yes, “Ma Bell,” “Mr. Postman” and “Henry Ford” are active soul winners. Do we use them weekly in efforts to prepare others for the Judgment Day?

—adapted from Allen Webster
via Taylor Boulevard Bulletin, Louisville, KY



—**Hallie Davidson** is in the Hart County Health Care Center in Horse Cave. Continue to remember **Mandy Hankins, Jean Coffee, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry.**

—Congratulations to **Jerry Edwards** and **Shari Rimmer** who were married yesterday in Hardyville.

—In our Sunday adult class we are beginning the book of Matthew today. Tonight we are beginning the Song of Solomon.



Sowing the Seed

A few years ago in the bulletin from the Robinson Avenue congregation in Springdale, Arkansas, I read a very intriguing article. A lady of the congregation there had sent a copy of a World Bible School lesson to a student in Africa. It was found in the roadway by another person who then searched for the church of Christ in his village. He was baptized two days later. What makes the story amazing is the fact that the lesson was mailed seven years before it was found.

Let us take a lesson from this incident. Never be discouraged when you do not see growth in the church overnight. Just as a physical seed will still germinate after many years, the Gospel will take root when it is planted and watered, even if it is years later. Let us do our part, and leave the increase to God. *“I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.”* I Corinthians 3:6

—Marty Edwards



Sunday, May 10, 2009		
Classes	15	Revelation 22:6-21
Preaching	22	Mothers of the Bible
Contribution	\$349.00	
Evening	15	Ecclesiastes 12:1-14
Wednesday, May 13, 2009		
Classes	17	Exodus 14:1-31

Bible Quiz

What was dark to the Egyptians but light to the Israelites?

Last Week's Answer— A lamb (Exodus 13:13)



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—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)