"Jesus Christ, the same, yesterday, today and for ever." (Heb 13:8)

"Contending for the faith once delivered and restored to the saints" (Jude 3)

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Dear Brethren in Christ,

Special greetings to all of you around the world in the precious Name of the Lord Jesus

As we are about to embark into the year 1988, I wish to give you a little information concerning the work the Lord has entrusted us with. Most certainly not one of the old-timers would have dared to expect the many years to pass on after the going home of our dearly beloved Brother Branham, God's servant and prophet.

Those who are acquainted with my writings know I stated that 1977 would come and go. Furthermore I wrote at the end of 1985 that I would not be surprised to see the year 1988. From know on we can expect anything to happen at any time. As there is no more room for speculations and calculations, it wouldn't surprise me, if the Lord started doing great things now. The outstanding events, whether they pertain to the church, the Bride, Israel, the nations or the world conditions in general, they all will happen in a chain reaction. As members of the Body of Christ, we are under great expectation to have part in the final fulfilment of the things God promised to us.

It is of great importance for us to realize at this time that the New Testament period will end as it began: with the actual fulfilment of Bible prophecy. John was a promised prophet, Jesus, our Lord, the promised Messiah and Saviour. The true believers at all times believed God's promised Word and expected its fulfilment. We are the children of the promise (Gal. 4:28) and have received the Word of promise, which is brought to life by the Spirit of promise.

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise" (II Pet. 3:9), "for He will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness, because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth" (Rom. 9:28). How wonderful to know that the Lord Himself will complete His work of redemption and rest on the 7th day, during the millennial reign, as He completed His work of creation and rested on the 7th day! This will be an experienced reality with all the elect from all ages, as they shall be transformed into His glorious image (I Jn. 3:2).

God has sent a promised prophet in this generation at the end of the day of grace, before the great and dreadful day of the Lord comes. Through that unique ministry we were brought face to face with the promised Word for today. Now we are carriers of that Seed-Word, believing that God will send the power of His Spirit to accomplish His work and take us into glory. Of course, before that great event takes place, we must experience the restoration of all things (Acts 3:21).

Predictions

In the year 1933 Brother Branham saw seven things in visions pertaining to the end time. The two last were the rise of the Roman Catholic Church and the destruction of America. It is obvious for all that the world church has become world-renowned again. Christians, Moslems, Hindus, all religious and political systems more or less recognize the authority of the Pope.

Most of the Protestant leaders are smitten with blindness, as they return to the womb of the mother church, thereby testifying that they are her spiritual daughters. Those who are born of God return to God and to the proclamation of the only saving Gospel of Jesus Christ. It must be said once for all that at no time the church of Rome was the Church, the "Ecclesia" of Jesus Christ. As always, so now only very few will see through this unbiblical system and come out. God's true children return to the apostolic teaching which originates in Jerusalem. They automatically leave the Romish–heathen idolatry religion and return to the Lord. Our mother is not Rome, but the heavenly Jerusalem, "But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all" (Gal. 4:26)!

In regards to the United States of America, Brother Branham predicted two blows: the judgment upon the West Coast, which includes a large portion of California sliding into the ocean, causing a title wave to flood part of the country, and secondly, the destruction of the U.S.A. itself. Anyone who reads the gospels carefully will note that our Lord pronounced judgment upon the cities where most of the miracles took place (Mt. 11:20-24). Brother Branham was told that he would be successful with his ministry on the West Coast. Literally millions through many years came in contact with that supernatural vindicated ministry. Especially the Full Gospel churches had the greatest influx, but did not recognize the message of the hour. During his last sermon in Los Angeles on the 29th of April, 1965, he gave this prophecy concerning the judgment of the West Coast. Reference to it is also found in the sermons "Ashamed of Him" and "The Rapture".

At different times God used His men in various countries. In this generation He chose the United States of America to be blessed with the greatest

ministry since the days of our Lord Jesus Christ and the apostles. As a whole the United States did not accept the God-sent visitation, whereby history has repeated itself. It was always the chosen remnant who lined up with God's Word (Rom. 11:5). One day this man of God who preached and practiced love and grace said, "I don't even pray for this nation any more."

It could be in the providence of the Almighty that the Soviet Union would be the tool to humble the United States. At this time the super powers are negotiating and will come step by step to agree upon the different ballistic systems. The two main words "peace" and "safety" are now of greatest significance. Please note I. Thess. 5:3! For some strange and incomprehensible reason the U.S.A. hold to the SDI-programme and thereby deeply hurt and challenge the Soviet Union. This again happens so the Scripture might be fulfilled. The terminology "star war" is chosen properly. Through the prophet Obadiah the Lord says, "Though thou exalt thyself like the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars, from there will I bring thee down, saith the Lord."

As we see Bible prophecy being fulfilled around us in every way, we should prepare to leave this world now at any moment. Of course, Mt. 24:14 also needs to be considered, "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." That includes the Islamic countries and the rest. I am not a prophet, but I predicted for many years that the Eastern European countries would experience a great change, and liberty would be given for the Gospel to be preached. During the visits I made this year in the countries behind the "iron curtain" I saw and heard things which would have been unbelievable ten, five or even two years ago. The Lord God is on the throne and watches over His Word in every detail to fulfill it.

May I humbly suggest that we all forget the differences, the pet doctrines and vain interpretations and unite in a last and final effort to present the whole council of God in a clarity, as it was never revealed to mankind before. In reality, we do have God's message of the hour, the totally revealed Word and purpose of God for today.

Because of the urgency and the responsibility, I beg all the brothers who are internationally engaged in the spreading of the end time message to unite in this task and do whatever we can without duplicating any work. I dare to say that all who in reality preach the end time message based on the Scriptures will believe and say the same thing and work together in harmony. Only those who use the word "message" to present their own views will cause friction and splits and thereby hurt the members of the Body of Christ.

By God's grace we are giving out the spiritual food which was stored in throughout the world. Our team here at the Mission Centre and brothers in various places and countries are busy translating, printing and publishing the messages of Brother Branham. The brochures I have written were blessed and used as a means by Almighty God to open the eyes and the hearts of many tens of thousands. The letters of appreciation are very encouraging, in fact, beyond anything one could have expected. Finally I wish to thank all of you for permitting us to be of service to you by God's grace, and may the Lord bless those who felt led to share in the heavy expenditure of this world mission.

May He continue to bless and use you all in whatever way He pleases. With great expectation we move into the year 1988 with one prayer request, "Lord God, have Thy way with us."

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Bro. Frank

By His commission

Announcement

We gave the announcement for special meetings to be held, God willing, from the 1st to the 3rd April, 1988. As it stands now, so many brethren are requesting tickets for themselves, for their wives and even children, that it has become impossible to even think about it. I take it as a sign of appreciation of this missionary outreach. How many times have brethren expressed their desire to once be with us here at the Mission Centre! Because West Germany was actually invaded by so many thousands of refugees in recent years, the government had to take drastic measures to stop it. For some of the African and Asian countries we have to vouch and pay a deposit of 4,000 DM to the authorities for each person who is to visit our country. As all will understand, this is not possible. The conclusion has to be that we shall have our convention here with those who are able to participate. In addition to that, God willing, we shall have conventions in the respective countries, hopefully that all the brothers living there can attend.

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