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This publication is designed to inform, inspire, and ignite special services to our Retired Ministers and Widows. If you are doing something in your area that is proving to be successful and a blessing, this paper will always be open and available to you to share it with others.

Let Us Pray



There is a summer of activities coming up that needs to be bathed in prayer! It seems that the church is becoming more and more aware that only those activities we saturate in prayer are effective.

We are conducting a Retired Ministers and Widows Conference May 13-15, and are desiring a great outpouring of the Holy Ghost. If we are going to experience it, we must fast, pray, and prepare ourselves to receive it. Let us pray for and expect miracles of healing. We are having a healing service on Friday morning with Brother T. L. Lowery, who will pray for the sick.

It seems there is a feeling of desperation for a mighty visitation of the Holy Ghost upon the General Assembly. We will begin each day at 7 a.m. with a Worldwide Prayer Meeting in the Convention Center Mission Room. Please plan to join us for this sacred hour. Also, each service will begin with a special time of prayer. Please come praying and in an attitude of prayer and keep praying all week. I feel something great will happen.

Please encourage the retired ministers and widows in your state or territory to join in the prayer band.

* Thanks for taking my appeal to heart last issue. We have *
* had several applications for the *Helping Hands* program *
* sent in, showing me that someone has been working. *

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May each of you have a
joyous special occasion!



Thomas & Dot Ashley

Featured Representative

The Reverend Thomas and Dot Ashley have been ministry partners for a long, long time. Their evangelistic and pastoral work has been a blessing to thousands. He has served in several leadership positions including district and state overseer. We are most pleased to have them fill the spot of featured representative. They are serving the retired ministers and widows in the state of South Carolina and live in Mauldin.

Reminder:

The National Retired Ministers and Widows Conference will convene May 13-15, 2004 at the North Cleveland Church of God and the Lee University Campus.

Please submit your registration form by April 15 or you can call 1-800-323-7264 and register today.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Prayer Requests:

—Dr. Jack Bridges, Northern Ohio SpiritCare Representative, has had several health issues in recent months.

—Reverend Paul and Frances Shoemaker, Florida-Tampa Spirit-Care Representative, have both been very ill lately. They need a touch from the Lord in their lives.

—Reverend Paul Henson is continuing to recover from the major stroke he had last Fall. He is not 100% yet, but the Lord is helping and strengthening him daily. Please continue to remember he and Sister Geri in your prayers.

Attention . . . Attention

The Helping Hands qualifying annual income amounts have increased. Please note below:

⇒ 1 Person \$9,310
⇒ 2 Persons \$12,490



“Someone once asked Helen Keller what could be worse than being blind. Her response was, ‘Having sight but no vision.’”

—Ardath Rodale, Reflections, pg. 192, “Prevention” September 2003