

The Story  
of  
Bro. Arthur C. Bristol  
and....

*Living Waters*  
*Revival Center*

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Dedication:

This book is Lovingly Dedicated To The Lord Jesus Christ. For without HIS Help, this Work would not be possible!!!!!!

Thank You Lord!!!!!!

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Bro. Arthur C. Bristol was born on October 12th, 1912, in Pontiac R.I., to Arthur & Genevieve (Robarge) Bristol. He fell asleep In Jesus, at his home in Rockland, Maine, on December 23rd, 1979, at age 67.

Bro. Bristol Graduated from Zion Bible Institute in Providence R.I., in 1942. He Served as pastor of churches in Louisiana, Texas & Maine. In Maine, he was pastor of the Caribou Assembly Of God from 1963 to 1964. During his short tenure in Caribou, he met & married Sis. Dorothy (Haynes) Bristol. After his pastorate in Caribou, the couple later moved to Camden & pastored a Pentecostal Work there. It was at this time, while in Camden, he started a Radio Ministry, over WRKD in Rockland. That was about 1965. He called it, "The Living Waters Radio Broadcast." The couple carried this branch of their Ministry on, until his passing in 1979. However, his Loving wife, Sis. Dorothy continued with this broadcast, throughout the remainder of her Ministry.

After they pastored in Rockland, for awhile, the couple moved to Rockland, and Established The Living Waters Revival Center, there. The Work was chartered in 1970. While in their first location in Rockland, the building caught on fire, and burned to the ground. No one was hurt, but Thanks Be To God, through their Insurance, God Blessed them with enough funds to purchase the big, beautiful edifice, they were able to carry on their Ministry at, for the remainder of their lives. To God Be ALL The Glory FOREVER MORE!!!!

Bro. Bristol was an Ordained Minister for 25 years, being Ordained with the Assemblies of God Organization.

Bro. Bernard Black & Bro. Ronnie Libby, close friends of his, officiated his funeral, at his church in Rockland.

Bro. Bristol suffered greatly in his body, but he was a real man of Faith, and

God saw him through till he drew his last breath, in this life.

Bro. Bristol became blind in his later years, but he didnt let that stop him. By God's Grace he remained Faithful to God, and finished running his race. As the Scriptures say: "ye did run well....." I Believe ALL GLORY TO GOD ALONE, this can be said of Bro. Bristol! It has been said, even though he was blind, he'd go to church, and follow the wall to the platform. His chair was in the corner, on the platform, directly in line with the pulpit. He'd feel his way along to his chair. When it came time to preach, all he had to do was stand, and walk straight to the pulpit. It was said, he once Testified he didn't like to take medication and go to doctors, but he Trusted Jehovah ALONE!!!! The ALLMIGHTY God that Created him!!!! Hallelujah!!

You know, MOST preachers today, NOT TO BE CRITICAL, but it bothers me, put more stock in Doctors than in The Great Physician. Job of old said: "Though God slay me, yet i will Trust Him!!!!" Would to God we'd have MORE men of faith like Bro. Bristol, that even though they stare death in the face, they will STILL Trust Jehovah God, By HIS ALLMIGHTY Grace!!!! Hallelujah!!!! Grant it, Lord!!!! ALSO, MOST preachers will stop preaching when their Doctor says to, and they also "can't" preach even if they have to sit in a chair to preach, or flat on their back. What about Moses, when he was so weary, he had to sit down, and Aaron & Hur had to hold up his arms. As long as the people of God saw their General Under God, In his RIGHTFUL POSITION, with The Rod Of God, Representing God's Anointing raised high, they won the battle!!!! WE WILL NEVER RISE ABOVE LEADERSHIP, NOR BE MORE SPIRITUAL than our pastor!! He's our Example In God!!!! WE should Help AND Cheer on THE TRUE MEN Of God, and Help them in prayer & Financially to STAY in his RIGHTFUL position!! That's why MANY churches go downhill Spiritually, we have NO REAL MEN OF GOD, like Bro. Bristol paying The Price, anymore!! He preached, WITH GOD'S HELP ONLY, BY GOD'S GRACE ALONE, AND FOR GOD'S GLORY ALONE, till his dying days!!!! MANY, like the children of Israel are selling out their experience In God, AND losing hope, AND losing the fight, BECAUSE their pastors, the men of God, are NOT being REAL men of

God!!!!

I'm an observer, i watch people. To my knowledge, IF i remember right. NO ONE ever sat in Bro. Bristol's chair that i saw, after he fell asleep In Jesus. I saw them sit everywhere else at Fellowship Services. But, it always seemed to me, as a little boy, that there was an "unspoken rule," that even though God's 5 Star General of Rockland was NO LONGER there, they still Respected him. And i didn't remember seeing anyone sit in "his chair" when i was a little boy, even after he died. That SPOKE VOLUMES to me!!!! I don't know of ANYONE that has ever had ANYTHING legitimately to say against the character AND integrity of this man of God!! ALTHOUGH just a man, he was God's Chosen man!!!! I NEVER remember having the privilege of meeting Bro. Bristol, but i HOPE to remain Faithful To God, BY GOD'S GRACE ALONE, to behold my Saviour face to face, ONE SWEET DAY, and see ALL my Lovedones gone on, that have fallen asleep In Christ, and those In Christ, i never met down here!!!!

There is so much we could say about the life of Bro. Bristol, but time would NOT permit me to do so!!!!

After Bro. Bristol fell asleep In Jesus, in 1979, his precious, dear, Dedicated wife, took over the church, and By God's GRACE, kept the Work going in Rockland, of course along with the Radio Broadcast. Sis. Bristol was very close friends with Bro. Russell K. Pier Jr, and he helped her GREATLY in the Work, traveling down from Charleston, OFTEN, to Minister for her. At the end, he came down every other Sunday to preach to the Saints there. The church was supposed to go to Bro. Pier and Faith School, after her passing, and or the building sold, and the money given into Faith International. However, NONE of this happened, sadly. Family shut the church down, and probably donated the funds, at their discretion.

Sis. Bristol had a small, sweet, faithful, Loving, Dedicated Congregation, in the last few years. To name just a few of the Saints: Sis. Mahonen (played the piano); Bro. Herbie (an usher) & his dear wife; Bro. Edwin & Sis. Sharon Ingraham & their son, Samuel; Sis. Shelly Ingraham (played the organ); Sis. Helen

(led the Song Service): Sis. Nancy Murch: etc., etc. ...

Bro. Pier had started Apostolic Challenge, Home Missions Fellowship, back in the 1950s, when he first went to Old Orchard Beach. After he led that for several years, he turned it over to Bro. Clayton A. Alward. Bro. Pier later established Faith International, a Ministerial group for his Graduates. Bro. Alward was in charge of the Home Missions group for several years, Under The Auspices of The Holy Ghost, then relinquished the responsibilities over to Bro. Brent Trueworthy of Newburgh & Sis. Bristol. In the late 80s & 90s, for awhile, they held the group together. Bro. Herbert Pierce, pastor of the Vassalboro Full Gospel Church, was president; Sis. Bristol was Vice President & Bro. Trueworthy, was the Secretary/Treasurer. They had Fellowship meetings once a month, on Mondays. Afternoon & Evening services, with dinner in between. AS Bro. Harold Haynes (Sis. Bristol's brother used to say of meetings in different places he preached, "There was a good crowd!" And there was in Rockland in those days, with The Sweet, Gentle, presence & Moving Of The Holy Ghost!!! Bro. Pier was usually the Guest Speaker at the Fellowships. Ministers that usually came to those meetings were: Bro. Duane Lovley & Bro. Brent Trueworthy, and a crew from the Newburgh Full Gospel Church where Bro. Trueworthy pastored and Bro. Lovley was his Assistant Pastor; Bro. & Sis. Herbert Pierce, pastors of the Vassalboro Full Gospel Church; Bro. Albert & Sis. Mildred Stubbs (former pastors of the Brooks Pentecostal Church); Bro. Russell Pier; Sis. Bristol & the crew in Rockland; and many, many more. There are too many to name them all here, that have visited that little, Old Fashioned, Full Gospel, Pentecostal, Holiness Work, over the years.

Sis. Bristol had many Guest Speakers over the years, but one is recalled to my memory often. It was Chris Daigle, as a teenager, along with his sister, Shannon. The children of Bro. Marcel Daigle. Bro. Marcel was an Assistant pastor to Bro. Ronnie Libby, for years.

Bro. James R. Reynolds Sr., and the family and crew from the Deliverance Center & Bible Institute in Portland, also Fellowshiped with Sis. Bristol. Sis. Bristol, for a time, also Served as Secretary for the North American Ministerial Association in North Monmouth, Bro. Alward's group that he started, With God's

Help, after he turned Aposatolic Challenge over to Bro. Trueworthy & Sis. Bristol. Bro. & Sis. Bristol, were a part of other Old Fashioned Full Gospel Ministerial Fellowships, and Fellowshiped with many others, over the years. They were dearly Loved by ALL who held them dear.

A sign hung outside the church that read something like this:

Living Waters Revival Center

Schedule of Services:

Sunday School: 12:45 p.m.

Afternoon Service: 2:30 p.m.

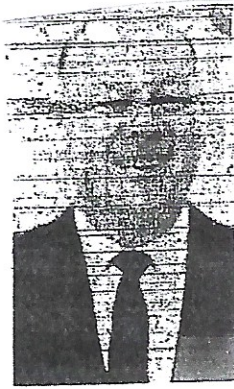
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.

Thursday Evening Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Those days are gone, but the memories remain. Sis. Bristol fell asleep In Jesus on January 25th, 2002, at Pen Bay Medical Center in Rockport, after over 35 years of Faithful Service To The Lord Jesus Christ, with over 14 of those years, along side her husband. Bro. Bristol pastored in Rockland, about 9 years, at The Living Waters Revival Center, and his wife, Sis. Dorothy, for a little over 22 years.

**TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY BOTH NOW AND FOREVER MORE!!!!**

**AMEN.**



Rev. Arthur Bristol



Rev. Dorothy Bristol

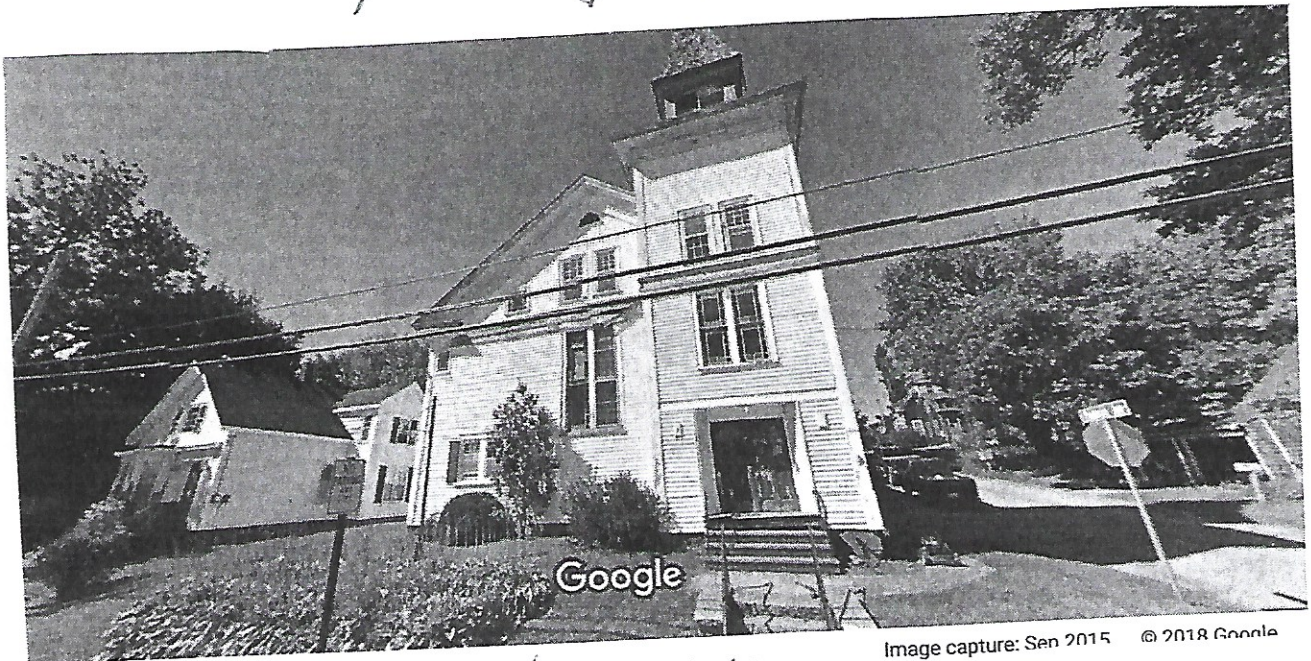


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