

# The Faith Herald

## History of The Real Pentecost

ALL GLORY TO ALL-MIGHTY GOD FOREVER MORE!!!!!!

God has always raised up Reformers and brought Revivals, down through the years. Since The Day Of Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4), some of the outstanding instances we can recall were: the Waldenses in as early as the 12th Century (1100's); then, in the 14th Century, the Reformers were: Bro. John Wycliffe & Bro. John Huss (Jan Has); in the 16th Century, it was Bro. Martin Luther, Bro. John Calvin, Bro. Huldrych (or Ulrich) Zwingli, Bro. William Tyndale w/ Bro. John Frith, Bro. John Knox & the Anabaptists; in the 17th Century, it was Bro. John Bunyan & later, the Amish; in the 18th Century, there was Bro. John Wesley w/ his brother: Bro. Charles.

By the 19th Century, God raised up, Bro. William Miller, along with: Bro. George Storrs, Bro. Joseph Bates, & Bro. James & Sis. Ellen White, etc. Later on in the 19th Century God raised up MORE Reformers and Soldiers of The Cross. They included: Bro. John Alexander Dowie, Sis. Maria Woodworth Etter and Bro. Frank Sandford. Bro. Frank Sandford, quite possible, was the one God Used to spearhead The Pentecostal Movement Revival, in the State of Maine.

The first recorded peoples in the United States known to have The Baptism Of The Holy Ghost, with the Initial Evidence, ["Initial Evidence" = Beginning Sign, according to Acts 2:1-4; Acts 10:44-46; & Acts 19:1-7], of Speaking in Other Tongues, [Other Tongues = unknown Divine Language], as THE Holy Ghost Giveth the utterance, was a group in the 19th Century, known then as "The Christian Union." Later this group of people known as The Christian Union, was also called the Holiness people. They were called the Holiness people, for they had The Goods, They had THE Power spoken of in Acts 1:8, They had THE TRUE, THE Holy Ghost! Much later, after The Great Outpouring of THE Holy Ghost at Azusa St., in 1906, this group became denominationalized. They then changed their name to the "Church of God International."

In 1906, there was a black Brother that was Anointed & Sent By God, with The Real Pentecostal Message to Los Angeles California. In those days, he had been attending Charles Fox Parham's Bible School. According to documented history, it is quite possible that Parham was a racist. He was not supportive of Bro. William J. Seymour's ministry, at all. While attending his School, Parham made Bro. Seymour sit outside the classroom. Racial segregation was preached and promoted by Parham, especially in mixed Worship settings. When Bro. Seymour was called upon to take a pastorate in Los Angeles, after only attending the School a short time, Parham was death against it. Irregardless of the circumstances, and Parham's lack of approval, Bro. Seymour ventured out, just trying to follow God's Perfect Leading. Bro. William J. Seymour had not yet received The Baptism Of THE Holy Ghost, but Believed it & preached it fervently! Upon arriving in Los Angeles, and taking over the pastorate, they Worshiped for a short time in one location. Eventually, they were holding meetings at the Asberry home, on Bonnie Bray St. Bro. Seymour, soon after, recieved The Baptism of THE Holy Ghost. The porch collapsed at that location, due to the crowd, apparently, so the congregation moved to the OLD African Methodist Church building at Azusa St. It has been said the old building had been used as

a livery stable at one point. Revival broke out. They were having services Morning, Afternoon & Evenings, daily. Crowds came from all over to visit the church, there. It has been said, they had only 2x4 homemade benches to sit on, and Bro. Seymour's pulpit consisted of a couple of crates (maybe milk crates), on top of each other. They started fasting and seeking God from the start, shortly after Bro. Seymour arrived, and continued through the Revival. Those Revival fires spread all over the United States, and hit Maine! During the Revival, Parham was so jealous, he visited the Azusa St Mission. He got up in the meetings and preached against what God was doing in their midst. He spoke blasphemous things against The Moving of The TRUE THE Holy Ghost. He did his level best to disband the group at Azusa St. At one point, Bro. Seymour told him he was NO LONGER welcome at The Mission. The Bible Says: "Mark those that cause division, and have NO FELLOWSHIP with them." Parham was so determined, he is said to have gone across the street, and started meetings for awhile.

The Revival lasted from about 1906-1908. Man tried to stop what God was doing, and get credit for it, and control The Move Of God. It is said, the precious multi-cultural, God-Loving & God Fearing group eventually disbanded at Apostolic Faith Mission, 312 Azusa St. Bro. Seymour, and his dear wife, Sis. Jennie, pastored the Work till he fell asleep IN JESUS. During the huge split, it is understood that one of his trusted workers ran off with the mailing list for their monthly publication, as well, trying to cripple their outreach. Thank God, Bro & Sis Seymour remained Faithful to God, By HIS GRACE ALONE, FOR THE GLORY OF ALL-MIGHTY God! It is also thought that Bro. Seymour came into The Light of Jesus Name Baptism.

During the early years of the 20th Century, God also Used other men & women FOR HIS GLORY ALONE, BY HIS ALL-MIGHTY GRACE, including: Bro. Evan Roberts (in the Welsh Revival c1904,1905), and Bro. Smith Wigglesworth. Bro. John G. Lake also was Used of God to bring the Pentecostal Message to Africa, and establish the Apostolic Faith Mission there, as well. ALL GLORY TO GOD, through his efforts, God brought Revival to those precious people, too.

In Maine, during the 1906 Great Outpouring, THE Holy Ghost fires hit a small Calvinistic Baptist Church, in Newburgh. Those precious Baptist saints were soaking the altar with their tears, crying out for their loved ones Salvation, and God Filled them with THE Holy Ghost. God's Spirit reached out to folks just riding by the church in their wagons. They'd be under such Holy Ghost Conviction, they'd cry out to God in Repentance, right in their wagons, riding down the road!

Now, Maine, prior to 1906, was predominantly Catholic, Baptist and Methodist.

#### 1917 to early 1940s

After the Great Outpouring, those Holy Ghost fires spread to Southern Maine, and Pentecostal Works started springing up all around Southern Maine. Between 1906 and 1917, there were NO Pentecostal churches north of Bangor in Maine, or in New Brunswick, from St. John to Plaister Rock.

In 1917, two young fellas were praying in a Union Church in Fielding, N.B., and God Filled them with THE Holy Ghost. They were so excited they went over to Northern Maine and started telling their preacher friends. (One record says 1910). They all got hungry for THE Holy Ghost, and Revival! They said we should have Sis Aimee Semple McPherson come with her tent and hold a Revival. She did! Many people were Filled with THE Holy Ghost in that precious Revival, under the tent, in Washburn Maine, in 1917. Some of those Filled with The precious Baptism, went on and became Foreign

Missionaries. ALL GLORY TO GOD FOREVER MORE!!!! Pentecostal Works started springing up in Maine & New Brunswick after that!

God had sent a Methodist Preacher from North Dixmont to Aroostook County, in those days. God raised him up to help a lady affectionately known as "Mother Clark," to establish the Mars Hill Full Gospel Assembly. Later, after she fell asleep IN JESUS, God Used him to take over the Work, there. While pastoring there, God Used him & his wife to establish other Pentecostal Works in "The County," including: The Presque Isle Full Gospel Assembly & the Easton Pentecostal Church & the Blaine Pentecostal Work, too. That man was Bro. F. Harold Bickford. His wife, Sis. Norma, With God's Help ONLY, pastored the Washburn Work a while, as well. Bro. Bickford was Used of God, to be the great grandfather of Full Gospel Pentecostal Home Missions in Maine, ALL GLORY TO GOD!!!!!!!!!!!!!! He started the Full Gospel Ministerial Fellowship, and had yearly Ministerial Conventions at the Mars Hill church, in those early days.

Prior to 1920, a man by the name of Bro. Eugene Allen of Sedgwick, had moved to Idaho, apparently, for a short time. While there, he met Bro. John H. Dearing. Later, he came back to Maine, and invited Bro. Dearing to come to Maine. Bro. Dearing came to Maine, in the winter of 1920, and began holding cottage meetings in Sedgwick. A church was born in Sedgwick. Bro. Allen was leader of this Assembly until his death. Several preachers over the years, helped him, and pastored the Work for him.

After that Work was established, Bro. Dearing moved on to the East Corinth, Bradford & Charleston area. In the summer they erected a tent, and held meetings nightly, for about 3 months to a time, apparently. A couple of years, the tent was erected in people's private fields, and in the winter, the services were held in homes & in old School houses, such as at Holts Mills. One year, in the summer, the tent was erected in Charleston, across from the present location of the old Charleston Pentecostal Church.

Bro. Dearing after that went to Bangor to help Bro. Clifford Crabtree & the Davis Sisters, who had been holding Street Meetings there, at West Market Square, downtown. After Officials squelched the Street Meetings, a hall was acquired at 22 Water St., upstairs. The Pentecostal Mission was born! [Now, known as Glad Tidings]. This Work was Officially started about 1922-23. Bro. Dearing was installed as first pastor. Bro. Dearing was Spiritually raised up as a Bishop/Overseer over Central and Northern Maine & New Brunswick. He came here preaching the Pentecostal & Jesus Name (NOT Jesus Only) Message. He was against EXTREME religious movements. He was Ordained By God HIMSELF, but eventually held the 1st card of Fellowship recognizing that Ordination, with Bro. Bickford in Mars Hill. His wife, Sis. Anna, held the 2nd Fellowship card ever issued from that Fellowship, as a Gospel Worker, apparently. [Eventually, Bro Crabtree (a young man then) & the Davis Sisters went on to St John N.B., to establish the Full Gospel Assembly, there.

Bro. H. Simeon Adams had taken over the services in the Holts Mills Schoolhouse, and continued there for several years. Eventually, someone bought the old Schoolhouse in Charleston, and gave it to the group meeting at Holts Mills, for their own Meetinghouse. The group moved there, with Bro. "Sim Adams," as the first pastor. Bro. Adams was Jesus Name. At one point, while holding meetings up there, he also pastored a Work in downtown Bangor, on Harlow St, during the same time.

God raised up many Pioneers, in those days, between 1917 and the early 1940s, FOR HIS GLORY ALONE!!!!!! Some of those Pioneers in those days included: Bro. George Briggs, Bro. George Kennedy, Bro. Sherman Lounsbury, Bro. Fred Grover, & Bro. Harvey Howe, as well as Bro. Dearing & Bro. Adams. Bro. Fred Grover came into Pentecost around 1920. He starting holding meetings just prior to 1927-28, at the old

Forrester's Hall, upstairs, on Water St., in Old Town. During those meetings, Bro. Harvey Howe got Saved, Filled with THE Holy Ghost & Baptized In JESUS Name. He started studying Bro. Dearing's Bible Studys he had written. Bro. Harvey got a Call to preach The Gospel and went to Pea Cove along with Bro. Charley Mitchell to hold Cottage Meetings & Bible Studys. Fred & Lizzie Briggs got Saved and shut down the old dance hall they owned. They turned the big old dance hall into a Meetinghouse, and they all asked Bro. Fred Grover to come pastor the new Work. Bro. Fred pastored both Works at the same time, for several years. Later, during the 30s, when Bro. Dearing was very ill with Asthma, and several Ministers took turns helping him pastor the Pentecostal Mission Work in Bangor, Bro. Grover was one of those that Served as Interim pastor. He apparently pastored all three Works at once, at that time.

While pastoring in Pea Cove, God Used him, FOR HIS GLORY ALONE, to Help get other Works established in Maine. He and Bro. Wilner Stallones (pronounced Stallings), were the first pastors of the Pentecostal Work that was started in the home of Sis. Eliza Young, in West Old Town. After Sis. Alice Bennett & Bro. Clare Sylvester had started meetings at the old Carmel Auto Rest park in Carmel, Bro. Grover, With God's Help ONLY, went down and purchased the original church building, and left Bro. Sylvester as first pastor, there. Bro. Sylvester was Jesus Name. That was a Jesus Name Work for several years. At one point, Bro. Grover helped establish the old Pentecostal Mission at Bar Harbor (no longer in existence, today). The Bar Harbor Work was Jesus Name. Bro. Grover, Bro. Howe, & Bro. Kennedy Worked together to establish that church, there. The Town Hill Work came out from that Work. Bro. Grover was instrumental, ALL GLORY TO GOD, to go down and establish the OLD Full Gospel Work at Ellsworth, at some point too, in an old dance hall originally. AND, Bro. Grover established the Cardville Work, while in Pea Cove.

Many of those pioneers pastored more than one church, at the same time. Also, many of them rotated, each pastoring each church sometimes more than once, as the need arose. Bro. Sherm Lounsbury pastored three Works at once. He pastored Charleston & Newburgh, at the same time, while establishing the Bangor Gospel Tabernacle (now the Brewer Work), about 1938. Sundays were usually very busy for these preachers, sometimes, possibly having church in one location in the Morning, another in the Afternoon, and another in the Evening, plus possibly mid-week meetings, as well. Bro. George Briggs pastored Charleston, Cardville, Pea Cove, & Carmel, over the span of his lifetime. Bro. George Kennedy got reclaimed about 1936. The Ministers felt he was Called to preach. He had the Gift of Helps. He Helped alot of the preachers in their churches around, and was Assistant Pastor in Pea Cove alot. He eventually pastored in Cardville & Carmel, at seperate times, as well. God raised up Bro. Eugene Kimball in those days, as well. He was a TRUE prophet & a "preacher's preacher," ALL GLORY to God, in those days. They had a GREAT Revival in those days from about 1917 to the early 40s, in Maine.

People Fellowshiped between the churches. Jesus Name (NOT Jesus Only) & "trinitarian" (NOT 3 god) folk Fellowshiped and loved one another, and just lifed up JESUS, together! Bro. Dearing Taught the Ministers to KEEP The Unity Of The Spirit and not "split hairs" over Doctrine. Another words, he didn't want them to make a big issue over it. Because of his GENUINE Christian Love, many "trinitarian" folk saw The Light of Jesus Name Baptism, INCLUDING, "Ma" & "Pa' Sweeney.

Bro. Ralston started the Work at Plaister Rock, N.B. Bro. Dearing preached at the Convention, in the 30s, at least once.

Bro. Crabtree came back and took over the Work in Bangor in 1940, the rest is

history, there. Bro. Dearing fell asleep IN JESUS, in 1940, in Howland, at the home of Bro. Howe's in-law's apparently. They were all close friends. Bro. Howe had started a Pentecostal Work there in Howland in a Hall, about 1931. By 1936, God had Given him a small house on the LaGrange Rd. He had, With God's Help ONLY, converted the downstairs to a Sanctuary, and the upstairs to an apartment, where they lived. A very distant cousin of mine (a cousin the writer of this paper), was Sheriff in Howland, at this time apparently, and lived on the River Rd. A friend of mine owns the Sheriff's house now, today. [For more info on this church, and an interesting story, read the History on the churches in Howland, God Helped me write]. Bro. Fred Grover had to give up all the churches at some point, to have a serious operation of some sort. After he recovered he was Blessed to be able to hold meetings and pastor in Howland. That was in the early 40s. After that, he went in Evangelistic Work for several years.

MOST all the churches started during that era of this time, either went Charismatic, are closed, or are torn down. There was a church <sup>apparently</sup> in Bradford & Argyle as well, at time.

#### 1940s to 1970s era

Some of the early 20th Century Pioneers overlapped into this era. As some passed off the scene, God raised up others to carry on The Torch of The Gospel. In this era, God raised up Bro. Russell K. Pier, Jr, as the NEXT Home Missions leader. His group was called "Apostolic Challenge." He was the grandfather of Home Missions in Maine. Bro. Kimball was still around in those days. At least 5 Bible Schools began springing up in Maine. [PLEASE see my paper on "Maine Pentecostal Bible Schools."] Sadly, only one of those are operating today. During this time, on a National level, God was pouring out His TRUE THE Holy Ghost in an unprecedented way! Folk were being Saved, Filled with The Holy Ghost & Healed In JESUS Name! Evangelists traveling the globe wre being Used of God in The Gift of The Working of TRUE Miracles and The Gifts of Healing, ALL GLORY TO GOD!!!! Many traveled all over, and some with big top tents, proclaiming The Good News that JESUS Christ Saves, Heals, Delivers & STILL performs Miracles! Some of those ministers were: Bro. David Terrell, Bro. A.A. Allen, Bro. Jack Coe, Bro. William Branham, Bro. Oral Roberts, & Bro. T. L. Osborne. Many of these burned themselves out for JESUS, and fell asleep IN JESUS, at a young age. Bro. Roberts & Bro. Osborne got off track, and joined the charismatics, late in life, sadly. But these precious men of God were Used GREATLY of God, By God's GRACE, FOR GOD'S GLORY ALONE!!!! IT'S JESUS IN THEM!!!!!!!!!!!! Bro. Branham & Bro Allen were TRUE prophets of God!!!! Bro. Terrell is a TRUE prophet of God, as well, and ALL MIGHTY GOD kept him going, ALL GLORY TO ALL MIGHTY GOD FOREVER MORE!!!! He's still going, just set aside right now seeking The LORD!

In the late 50s & early 60s, God Gave another GREAT Outpouring of His Spirit upon HIS Servants, FOR HIS GLORY ALONE!!!!

#### 1970s to 2000s era

In Maine, God raised up Bro. Clayton A. Alward, as the NEXT Official Spiritual Home Missions Bishop/Overseer. He was the "Dad" of Home Missions, here, ALL GLORY TO GOD FOREVER MORE!!!! He was like an Israel, with many sons In-The-Faith, encouraging them, in The Ministry. During this time, God raised up churches all over the State. To name a few: Bro. Brent Trueworthy and his NEW Full Gospel Church Work at Newburgh; Bro. Herbert Pierce and his Full Gospel Work in Vassalboro; Bro. Arthur & Sis. Dorothy Bristol and the Living Waters Revival Center at Rockland; & Bro.

James R. Reynolds SR and the Deliverance Center at Portland (started in 1967); as well as Bro. Clayton Alward's Pentecostal Work at Monmouth, etc, etc..... ALSO, Bro. Bernard & Sis. Evelyn Elliott and the Arundel Christian Tabernacle & Bro. Joel McLain SR and Victory Chapel at Biddeford. Bro. Alward's & the Bristol's Work is now closed, 3 of these are gone charismatic, and only two of these listed are trying to hold on, By God's GRACE! ALL the older generation have now fallen asleep IN JESUS!!!!!!

In Aroostook County & in New Brunswick, about 1994/95, 7 churches were still having a TRUE THE Holy Ghost Revival. HOLDING ON to The OLD Paths of THE WORD OF ALL MIGHTY GOD!!!!!! BY GOD'S GRACE, FOR HIS GLORY ALONE!!!!!!!!!!!!!! They were, AT THAT TIME, STILL getting together and having Real OLD Fashioned, Holy Ghost Conventions, all summer long, taking turns having Conventions at each other's churches, in at least 6 of them. They were INDEPENDENT JESUS Name Works!!! Bro. Carlton L. Whittaker SR at the Apostolic Pentecostal church in Monticello, Maine; Bro. Louie Seeley and the Apostolic Watchman church at Back Bay N.B. (now in Burt's Corner); Bro. Harold Bradley and the New Testament Evangelistic Center at St. John N.B. (now in Barnesville); Sis. Marina Keetch and the First Revival Pentecostal Church in Knackawic N.B. (or Upper Queensbury); Bro. Fon Mean & Bro. Robert Hawkes at Upper Windsor N.B. Pentecostal Church; Sis. Gladys Armour at the Emmanuel Apostolic Chapel (later, United Apostolic Church) of Royalton N.B.; and Sis. Virgie MacDonald & the Apostolic Pentecostal church of Ashland, Me.

God, at that time, raised up Bro. Garth Piper of Knoxford N.B. Canada, to take Bro. Eugene Kimball's place, Spiritually.

2007 & 2019/20

In 2007, God showed me a vision in prayer of a flame of fire on the roof of the OLD Newburgh church. I Believe God wanted to send another GREAT outpouring then, but somebody threw a wet blanket on it! In 2017, we got a Refreshing In THE Holy Ghost in a tent meeting in Cleveland TN, and God sent us back to Maine and promised us a church building with a steeple, and showed the man of God a Revival coming to this area. It took a yr and a half. We got the church, By an ALL MIGHTY Miracle, ALL GLORY TO GOD FOREVER MORE!!!!!!!!!!!!!! But gave it up in 2021. I felt God wanted another Revival of getting NEW churches going, FOR GOD'S GLORY ALONE, BY GOD'S GRACE ALONE, like in Bro. Dearing's Day, but it was hindered by man!!!  
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God has Promised In HIS Word, another GREAT Outpouring of THE Holy Ghost, JUST BEFORE His 2nd Advent!!!!!! But THE BIBLE SAYS It WILL BE the FORMER AND Latter Rain TOGETHER!!!!!! AND He WILL Do a QUICK Work, and cut it SHORT IN RIGHTEOUSNESS, so man can't get in and try to ruin it AGAIN!!! GOD, PLEASE SEND US AN OLD FASHIONED TRUE THE HOLY GHOST dead-raising Revival that man AND DENOMINATION can't get in thye middle of and stop THIS TIME, IN JESUS ALL-MIGHTY NAME, AMEN!!!!!!

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