TWO WHO STARTED
A REVOLUTION IN MARIETTA

By Sophia Rivers

The long years of disrespect, abuse, violations of rights and exploitation were laid bare. It was brought out that the Marietta Housing Authority and other vested interests in the city of Marietta over the years had participated or been implicated in uprooted poor residents and not replaced them in homes they had worked to夺得 one cent of a black businesses in the city of Marietta over the past five years; refused to respect blacks in the central office, by calling them by their first names in business dealings; closed all meeting spaces in the public housing projects, thereby making it impossible for tenants to meet and organize; ceased providing any programs for public housing residents; raising rents, for blacks as high as $255.00 per month; entering tenants apartments without permission or notification; refusing to maintain and keep up apartments and making tenants pay for maintenance services; divulging confidential information about tenants in the central office; sending out "uncle toms" to snoop on residents and basing tenant income on hearsay information; keeping an all-white top-level administrative staff at the Marietta Housing Authority; harassing and collecting rent as if tenants are criminals; changing leases on-the-spot and demanding that tenants sign on-sight; and refusing to build additional public housing in Marietta.

Meeting after meeting brought out more and more wrongdoing and more violations of HUD guidelines and the infringement of the human rights of tenants on the part of the Marietta Housing Authority. What had begun as an effort to lower rent was becoming an overall movement on the part of poor people in the city of Marietta to take destiny in their hands and take control of their lives as a people. Something that had never before been considered in the city of Marietta.

Recognizing that any movement for social change presupposes both short-range and long-range goals, the tenant group set out on a course to organize the entire poor and oppressed communities of Marietta and Cobb County and establish a viable community-based, grass-root supported organization that would be a continuing vehicle for the total assessment of the program needs of the community and the agency for their development and implementation.

Attempting to purge the leadership of the traditional divisive mentality of local community biases and grudges based on religious beliefs, social status, educational attainment and other nonessential factors that serve to dilute the power of a people, a retreat was called for those who had agreed to take on leadership responsibilities for the group.

At Stone Mountain Park, birth place of the KKK in Georgia, the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT was born, its goals and objectives laid out and its methodology for action set forth. The day-long retreat welded the leadership group into a continuing on page
It would do well for those liberal-integrationist-type black leaders to read Harold Cruse’s "The Crisis Of The Negro Intellectual". In that important and scholarly work, he points out in detail and documentation the social fact that America is a "nation of nations" and that unilateral integration has no possibility of working, not because of racism so much as the social character of the society. He further points out that it will only be through the organization, maintenance and preservation of the black community’s social, economic and cultural strengths that there can ever be any hope of what we so loosely term freedom.

Ironically, those black leaders who became "publicly" disturbed at Jimmy Carter’s "ethnic purity" statement are the same leaders who seemed intractably shackled to the northern white syndrome of bland Liberalism and refuse to propose new and innovative solutions to social problems in American society beyond the concept of integration. Even at a time when it should be clear to all who are observer that integration has not, and does not appear to be in the near future, a solution to black freedom.

Freedom for a group comes only when that group has organized itself into an effective and viable social unit and able to compete with other groups in the society in which it must survive or demise.

More importantly - and more evidentiary - the present condition of the Atlanta Public Schools should be a lesson to those addicted to the concept of integration. After almost twenty (20) years of injunctions, court orders, manhours, money and mass confusion, the Atlanta School System has managed to achieve little. Too poorly written. A feat that could have been accomplished far cheaper.

Finally, black leaders would better serve the needs of the black community by getting out among the people of the black community and not concerning themselves with Jimmy Carter’s "ethnic purity". Instead of continuing to blunder up and down the outmoded avenues of white Liberalism, which is sophisticated paternalism in disguise.

Blacks need not concern themselves with whether Jimmy Carter has been "converted" to a Liberal (hopefully there is more to be converted to ). When the equations of power change the Jimmy Carters will change like everybody else. They will change or get created. Witness George Wallace and Lester Maddox. They were never converted. The voters and the change in power converted them. And, if the black community becomes an organized political force, Jimmy Carter and all other whites who expect to be presidents will become something other than blatant racist.

As a black man, I have read and listened with appalling concern at the various politically self-serving responses and reactions to presidential candidate Jimmy Carter’s "ethnic purity" statement. Especially have I been concerned over the shallowness and vacillating intransigence reflected in the reactions of notable black leaders like Julian Bond, Vernon Jordon, and to a lesser degree, Hosea Williams, who for some reason seem unable to distinguish between the legitimate preservation of community group power and racial segregation.

Politically understood, the (ethnic purity statement) was a political statement, "ethnic purity" is really equivalent to the cry for "black power" - , the desire for "community control" and the desire for reparation on the part of blacks so that they may in fact be represented in the political decision-making process. Blacks do not - and should not - want their power diluted and destroyed by the unwarranted intervention of other groups. That desire in and of itself, of course, does not make the black community against whites. It simply means that blacks want to preserve their strength. Thus if blacks want to preserve their strength by control of their community, it appears somewhat petty, crass and politically contradictory for their strength by control of their community, it appears somewhat petty, crass and politically contradictory for...
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commitment to themselves and to the people who had extended their trust in them. An oath was taken: win, lose or draw, the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT would never sell-out or deceive the people. The group came from the Mountain with two basic objectives in mind: to organize the entire poor community in Cobb County, both black and white, and insure the the poor and oppressed of intelligent, informed, honest, straightforward leadership and representation. There would be one other thing: those people wanting help would have to first help themselves. THE POOR AND OPPRESSED COMMUNITY WOULD HAVE TO CARRY THE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF STAFF AND OPERATIONS OF A COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION SO THAT IT WOULD NOT HAVE TO SELL-OUT OR BE BOUGHT OUT BY VESTED INTERESTS, as had been the case with so-called “leadership” efforts in the past.

Unable to have their grievances and complaints exposed in the local papers and through the local electronic media, the COUNCIL set up a picket line around the Marietta Housing Authority. Led by Rev. Richmond, and supported by the people of the community and tenants, the picket line was held for two weeks. Long enough to publicize the goals and objectives of the Movement for Human Rights in Marietta. More and more tenants became involved. Word spread. Interest grew.

Having made tenants and the public aware of the kinds of things that had been going on under the auspices of the Marietta Housing Authority, the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT set out on an educational-organizing process.

Meetings were called and held in all areas of public housing, in churches and at the Masonic Hall. Small meetings were held in the homes of tenants, and meetings were held in coffee shops and restaurants. Handbills and brochures, flyers and news releases were sent out and every effort was made to communicate to the people.

The COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT set out to be NARROW IN ITS VIEW AND SELFISH IN ITS SCOPE* SENT OUT A CALL TO ALL COMMUNITY LEADERS TO BECOME A PART OF THE MOVEMENT AND TAKE PART OF THE LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITY FOR GETTING THE JOB DONE. Many voices responded with “yes I will help”, but fewer committed themselves to anything tangible and concrete. But under the leadership of Rev. Richmond, the faithful few continued to organize the people to take charge of their lives and destiny, in an area where black people had forever been relegated to the dregs heap of the social, economic and political ladder.

The question of money to finance the organization’s operations inevitably came up. Followed by all the rumors and gossip about money and who will get the money. The group would have to get up its own money. Again, Mrs. Julia Harris and Mrs. Willie M. Parker took the lead in organizing hot dogs for sale, fish fries and other local efforts to meet ongoing expenses. The efforts paid off. Money was acquired a place of operations in the Wigley Building at 47 North Fairgrounds Street in Marietta. Free of trying to find a place where the group could feel that it will be able to settle down and establish itself as a community base of power for the people. Plans for the organization include: public forums and speakers throughout the Bicentennial year, leadership development training classes, etc. to be taught by Rev. Isaac Richmond, sales training and self-motivation seminars, a black business development association, a community academy for moderate and low-income children.

TO FINANCE THIS AMBITIOUS PROGRAM FOR THE PEOPLE THE COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WILL BECOME AGENT AND DISTRIBUTOR OF AMWAY PRODUCTS. INCOME FROM THE SALE OF THE PRODUCTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WILL GO INTO STAFF AND OPERATIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION. TENANTS WILL JOIN IN THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS* CLEANSING AIDS AND TOILETRY ITEMS AND TOILETRIES. PRODUCTS WILL ALSO BE RETAILED OUT OF THE OFFICE AT 47 NORTH FAIRGROUNDS STREET.

Mrs. Sazie Mixel, a tenant in the Lyman Homes Housing Project will also coordinate a summer candy sale to help carry on expenses of the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT.

Julia Harris talking with a resident as she makes her rounds organizing tenants and community people to better their lives and improve the community.

With the appropriate information in hand and having made the contacts at the local, state and national levels of government, the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT was ready to make provisions for the hearing that would bring out the truth and consequences of tenant complaints against the Marietta Housing Authority. Letters for participation in the hearing were sent to all elected officials over Cobb County. The Commission on Civil Rights, the Justice Department, the NAACP, and all other parties having to do with or otherwise implicated in the Marietta Housing Authority’s reign of tenant abuse.

Recognizing early in the game that an established organization would be needed to engage the system of oppression that gripped the poor and oppressed in the Marietta-Cobb County areas, the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, while working to secure information on the Marietta Housing Authority and to compile all tenant grievances and complaints, was also working feverishly to bring into being Cobb County’s first and most viable community-based organization. An organization that would be a permanent fixture in the community, able to respond to the needs of the poor and oppressed daily. To get this done very specific and strategic moves on the part of the leadership group were made. Responsibilities for the leadership group were outlined and assumed. Everybody would have to do something. Everybody did something, and things that had never happened before began to happen in the city of Marietta.

It was discussed and agreed that in order to have a working organization a staff would have to be hired, an office would have to be established, the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT have had to sell-out or deceive the people. The COUNCIL has sent the Marietta Housing Authority the agenda for the public hearing, a time and place will be mutually agreed upon by the Housing Authority and the C COBB COUNCIL, after which time the Hearing will get under way. Rev. Isaac Richmond says that “the people are able to do whatever they decide to do if they can be persuaded, convinced, educated and organized to decide to do something for themselves”. But, he goes on to say “our people have been the victims too long, for so long, they are afraid to not only trust anyone else they are afraid to trust themselves”. He hopes that the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WILL DISPEL SOME OF THE FEAR AND INSECURITY THAT HAS FOR TOO LONG GRIPPED THE MARIETTA COMMUNITY.

It should be said that Rev. Isaac Richmond has been a very effective and inspiring force in the overall development of the COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT. Having begun to work with tenants in the midst of the situation, he determined to work to make a living, he has made a tremendous sacrifice to try to create a system of protection for his people for whom he expresses supreme love and solicitude.

Dr. Isaac Richmond (if you will) feels that Mrs. Willie M. Parker and Mrs. Julia Harris, by setting out on that night in April, started a revolution in Marietta that will spread throughout Cobb County. He seems to relish that possibility.

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REGULAR MEETINGS COBB COUNCIL

MONDAY
7:00PM SALES TRAINING

THURSDAY
7:00PM LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

SUNDAY
7:00PM BICENTENNIAL LECTURES ON BLACK HISTORY
8:00PM PUBLIC FORUM: meet the people

OFFICE LOCATION
47 FAIRGROUNDS ST.
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FASHIONS

CHARLIE HUNTER IS BACK

Mr. Charlie Hunter, Jr. driven out of the food business as a result of "urban renewal progress", has relocated at 321 Allgood Road. He is looking forward to getting his package store license very soon. He is very glad to be back in business in the Marietta community for all time.

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But the upcoming show in Miami Beach will be the most exciting thing to happen to Ms. Hall. There she will appear with the world famous photogenic photography: models Ms. Beverly Johnson and Sherri Brewer.

Marietta Teen To Model In Miami

debra hall of marietta, a charming teenager, will be co-feature model in "Fashions under the stars" in Miami Beach, Florida June 20, 1976. Ms. Hall began modeling about a year ago after being a runner-up in a local beauty pageant.

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ATTEND INSTALLATION SERVICES AND OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 1976

JOHN LEWIS GUEST SPEAKER

MR. JOHN LEWIS, DIRECTOR OF THE VOTER EDUCATION PROJECT (VEP), WILL BE GUEST SPEAKER AT THE INSTALLATION OF THE COBB COUNCIL ON HUMAN DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 1976, AT 3:00 PM AT THE WRIGHT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH - IN THE JOHNNY WALKER HOMES AREA - IN MARIETTA, GEORGIA. MR. LEWIS IS AN INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN FIGURE IN THE STRUGGLE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. HE IS A FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE STUDENT NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE. HE MADE A HISTORIC SPEECH DURING THE GREAT MARCH ON WASHINGTON, AND HE HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REGISTRATION OF MILLIONS OF BLACK VOTERS ALL OVER THE SOUTH WHO ARE CHANGING THE POLITICS OF AMERICA. YOU MUST COME OUT TO HEAR THIS MAN. AN OPEN HOUSE RECEPTION WILL FOLLOW THE INSTALLATION SERVICE. AT THE NEW OFFICE OF THE COBB COUNCIL, AT 47 FAIRGROUNDS STREET SUITE 6 - IN THE WIGLEY BUILDING. EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COME OUT AND KNOW WHAT NEW AND GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN THE MARIETTA-COBB COUNTY COMMUNITY.

CITIZENS, EVERY EFFORT IS BEING MADE TO CREATE THE KIND OF ORGANIZATION IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT WILL SERVE THE PURPOSE OF HEARING THE COMPLAINTS OF OUR PEOPLE AND PROBLEMS. WE KNOW THAT THIS WILL COST MONEY, AND WE KNOW THAT THERE IS NOT A LOT OF MONEY IN OUR COMMUNITY. THUS WE HAVE BEGUN A CAMPAIGN THAT WILL INSURE US OF ENOUGH MONEY TO RUN AN ORGANIZATION IF YOU WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE COUNTRY.

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MRS. MATTIE ROBINSON

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ACWORTH

we are glad that mrs. carile young, who has been ill in kennestone hospital, is back home in newworth doing well. we pray that her recovery is complete.
An attempt to glance at Douglas County may cause one to pause and look at the black community, as black opportunity has increased substantially across the country during the last nine years. One's pause may also find it shocking to see that in 1976 there are no black elected officials in Douglas County, none in the city of Douglasville and no blacks in the Central office of Education.

DOUGLASVILLE

... by charles danley...
MANAGING EDITOR

There is a tremendous need in the black community for moderate income and low income private academy programs that will provide quality education and a sense of direction for young people. Public schools are doing a favorable job, given the conditions and circumstances under which they are operating, but a people cannot wait until the public schools are back together to begin thinking of the education of their young. WE NEED SCHOOLS, CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS, EARLY LEARNING CENTERS, AND DAY CARE CENTERS so that mothers can go to work to better themselves and the lives of their children.

Mrs. Annie R. Mitchum is a member of the New Mountain Top Baptist Church and is active with the Usher Board. She is also a member of the Les Socurs Social and Saving Club. She belongs to the Educational Group and is Chairperson of the Home Project Program. She does voluntary work with the Douglas County Citizens Advisory Committee. Her hobby is drawing and painting. She is employed with a retail store where she does graphic photography. Mrs. Mitchum is one of the persons in Douglas County pushing the development of the Brimstone Chronicle.

Mrs. Annie R. Mitchum
SUBSCRIPTION AND CLASSIFIED MANAGER

The white power structure cried for years that blacks needed qualifications. This ghost was revealed for what it was when in a recent election a young energetic and aggressive black man with several degrees ran for city council, only to lose to a former city clean up man with less than a high school education.

White mothers and fathers who voted for such a candidate should hesitate to tell their children that they need to be qualified and having a good education has any meaning in Douglas County.

As you read this, you may be thinking that the writer is attempting to contribute the destiny of blacks to whites. Quite the contrary. The writer in fact believes that the problems that blacks experience as a minority group in American society can only be solved by blacks in conjunction with whites. Some of the same blacks who would agree with the preceding paragraph probably did not go out to vote, and further, are not even registered. And one cannot talk democracy while not being registered to vote. For while the present system can be sustained by apathy, it can only be changed by blacks themselves becoming involved in the political process at the local level, where the grass-root people are.

Readers, whether you be black or white, let us diffuse the time-bomb of injustice and work together as brothers and sisters so that the world can be a better place for our sons and daughters who must inherit whatever we leave them.

Elaine Shell* Scout Leader, Back Row L To R: Annie Bell Harris; Candy Pratt; Michelle Reid; Miyoshi Shell. Front Row: Traci Bostic; Avie Lynne Middlebrook; Sheila Ann Middlebrook; and Tina Cole Man. ....

Lithia Springs

LITHIA SPRINGS. The Lithia Springs Day Camp Program is getting off to a grand start. Youth Counselors Vincent Pratt, Candy Pratt, Geralds Harris, Cheryl Redd and Candy Bostic are spearheading the recruitment drive for summer participants. Children between the ages of 7 - 12 are eligible to participate in the program.

The program will open June 7, 1976, at 9:00 AM, at the Lithia Springs Community Center at 3410 Causey Road - Austell, Georgia.

SCHEDULE AND ACTIVITIES. Day Camp schedule: 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM Monday through Friday. Each week the young people will put on a program of activities that they plan and carry out. Saturdays will be Field Day. At which time all kinds of field activities will go on throughout the day. During the week the children will be involved in learning activities, field trips, hikes, visiting historical sites, doing arts and crafts, playing games and building good character through wholesome relationships with each other.

The first session of the Day Camp program will have a limited number of participants. Enroll your child today. Call one of the following persons at these numbers: Cheryl Reid; 944-2298; Vincent or Candy Pratt; 941-5514; Gloria Harris; 941-8371. REMEMBER THE DAY CAMP PROGRAM WILL BE SUPPORTED THROUGH YOUR DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS. HELP US SAVE OUR CHILDREN.

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Bicentennial Citizen Of The Week

We salute this week a person we feel has worked very hard in our community to help make that trail that has brought us this far. Mrs. Mattie McCoy, she has lived in our community for 61 years, and was married to the late Harry McCoy. She has 2 children, a son, son Cox Lee Sparks, and a daughter, Mary Cochran. She is very proud of the 13 grandchildren and 12 great, great grandchildren! This alone is a great blessing, for the majority of this family make up the Pleasant community in which we live.

Mrs. McCoy's hobby is quilting. You can stop by her house anytime and find a quilt hanging on the old time ceiling frame. She loves to keep busy because she feels like idle time is wasted time. Mrs. McCoy is a member of the New Mountain Top Baptist Church where she works faithfully as a Christian. We of the brimstone Chronicle are very proud to have people like Mrs. McCoy in Winston, we too know her as "granny".

If you feel that the brimstone Chronicle is the kind of newspaper that will be beneficial to our community, you must give it your full support. The brimstone Chronicle has been published by the sheer determination and extreme sacrifice of a few people who want to lift the image of the black community throughout Cobb and Douglas counties. These few people believe that with the support of the people, the best of this great work is if you give your full support. The brimstone Chronicle needs to sign up 10,000 subscribers in 90 days in order to become an independent community newspaper with the staff and funding necessary to keep it a quality product of integrity. Only the support can make such an undertaking successful. Tell all your friends and neighbors, and your relatives out-of-town that we need your support to get news and information to our people, who only manage to get into the news when they commit a crime.

Political Analysis

In small towns and rural communities throughout Cobb and Douglas counties, there is still the fear and apathy among blacks about politics and public office. It appears that politics is equated with the plague, rather than the process by which our government is run. Only in Marietta is there activity stirring for involvement in city elections, and that only in one all-black district. When one looks at the many townships in the two counties, it becomes very clear why the black community is so far behind and left out of everything. There is no leadership group capable of bringing the people together, informing them, and putting them on the road to economic and political power. But the hour is at hand.

The Tows

In state political races, the poor communities - both black and white - must begin to field candidates with an end toward winning. It is only through sheer neglect that some candidates assume to be the powerholders in the state of Georgia. The "divine right of kings" went out with the head of the king of France in the 18th century, and the time has come to roll some heads at the state level in Georgia. After all dictators are never brought to power by force, the greatest dictators the world has ever known came to power through the ballot. Hitler, Napoleon, Caesar and Nixon all were "elected" into power. Their stay in office resulted in their arrogance and corruption. We can only prevent that by changing power from time to time through the political process.

The State

At the county level, County Commissioners and the County Commissions go virtually unchallenged by the black community, not knowing that in Cobb and Douglas Counties the big money, social programs and political power come through the County Commissions. There needs to be political activity at the County level in both Cobb and Douglas County.

The Nation

Blacks must also learn the lesson of effective coalitions in the political process. Joining hands with the oppressed white community along economic and political lines is the sure way of bringing power to those in this society. The constant alienation of poor people through racial antagonisms and religious denominations only serves the best interests of those who seek only rule through community division. There is no real reason that pale white people and poor black people should be at each others throat. Both are hungry, naked, out of doors and unemployed. They need to come together as one people, working on fundamental principles of cooperation and political interests.

The Spirit Of A Free Press
"The Role Of A Black Preacher"  

DR. ISAAC RICHMOND

As we move into two hundred years of American history, it becomes increasingly clear that politics, government and our social organization stand in need of sweeping changes. Lies, deception, trickery, corruption and scandals — and the misuse of the FBI, CIA, Justice Department and the public treasury — have made a mockery of the democratic process and representative government. But that is just part of the story. The Church must bear the full responsibility of its neglect in challenging and confronting the decadence of a degenerating status quo.

Two thousand years since the death of Christ, church business also rests contentedly at an all-time low. The young have preferred dope to redemption; rock festivals rather than Sunday School; Marijuana rather than the Virgin Mary; the Beatles rather than the Bible; violent revolution rather than the apocalyptic end of social and financial circumstance, cannot help utterings of idiocy who have reduced the meaning of the Bible; "in God we trust" as her motto, it is only fitting and proper that this God move his people in a direction of true service and fellowship with him.

The book of Isaiah, chapter 43, verse 19 states: "behold, I will do a new thing. Atlantans, Americans, and world, GOD has done a new thing!

What is this new thing God has done? Jehovah God, Lord of the Heavens and Lord of the Earth has established and revealed his way unto a people (Isaiah 43:21). This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.

What is God's way? Who is this people?

Psalms 18:30 teaches us God's way, which is thusly; as for God, his way is PERFECT. In the First Epistle of John and verse 8, we see that, he that committeth sin is of the devil. John 1 (3-9) states in this manner, whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; rather than the Virgin Mary; the Battles rather than the Kingdom of God!

The masses of poor people need to rise up and assert their rights in the religious sector. Those scoundrels who run religious institutions and local churches must also be kicked out of office. The Bible says that "by their fruits ye shall know them." Those preachers who bear no fruit in the community are not called or chosen of God, and the people must demand that they produce on a daily basis or get out the community.

After two thousand years of misusing the powers inherent in institutional religion, the day is here that the people must put the power of God into their lives rather than at the disposal of those who have proven themselves to be unworthy of the people's trust and unfit for God's mission. The power of the church must become the power of the people of God rather than the private domain of an elite clergy class that has made a profession of stealing in the name of the lord!

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The Truth Shall Set Us Free

Chambers Speaks

This year, 1976, America celebrates her 200th birthday as an independent country. America had her beginning in a desire for "freedom of worship" as well as the freedom of assembly.

On this the dawning of this country's birthday, which is stressed "In God we trust" as her motto, it is only fitting and proper that this God move his people in a direction of true service and fellowship with him.

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1 John 3:10, in this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil 1 John 3:9, is that people God Almighty has formed (himself) to shew forth his praise.

Scripturally speaking, we have a commandment (St. Matthew 5:48) "Be ye therefore perfect even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect", from Jesus Christ to be perfect... to be continued.

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