Theodore Turley Family Newsletter

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To The Turley Family -- GREETINGS!!

Announcing the 1964 Family Reunion --

ALL THEODORE TURLEY DESCENDANTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!!

Sincerely,
Frank J. Turley, Pres.

RE-UNION PROGRAM & COMMITTEES:

DATE: 26 November 1964
PLACE: 11th & 13th Ward Chapel (corner of 4th Ave. & LeSueur St.)
TIME: 10:00 A.M. Begin Registering & Visit until noon.
Noon - Mealtime, with Program during meal.
Business Meeting -- following meal.

COMMITTEES:

HOUSING: Wallace Turley - 109 So. Olive St., - Phone: W04-8439
Rhoda T. Brinkerhoff - 447 E. Millett Ave., - Phone: 964-2889

TEMPLE SESSION: Wed. Evening - 2nd Session - Be there at 6: P.M. for Chapel Service - Fred Turley in Charge.

TABLE SETTING & SERVING: Ted Roy, Bill McClellan, Frank Turley, Wallace Turley

GREETING ALL COMERS: Fred Turley

IDENTIFICATION: Fern, Wilma & Frank Turley

PROGRAM: Florence Turley, Vessa Peel

M. C.: Lawrence Turley

DINNER: Tenna Heap

GAMES & SPORTS AT PARK: Don & Wife

ENTERTAINMENT OF CHILDREN: Barbara & Dare Greer

DECORATION OF HALL: Marguerite Pyper

DECORATION OF TABLES: Marie & Jim Dugger

PRIZES: For largest Family attendance of any of Greenwood or Tolton lineage - Viola & David Haws

SUPPLIES: Journals & Picture sheets & Genealogical Supplies available at Reunion - Ted Roy

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EXTRA!! - FAMILY PICTURES NEEDED!! Dig out the old treasures & let others enjoy them also!!

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July 17, 1964

Dear Turleys:

Greetings to one and all. Enclosed you will please find our check for dues and subscriptions. Somehow we have not been receiving the Newsletter since coming home from South America, and we should very much like to do so. If there are any back numbers that will bring us up to date, they will be welcome. Please use the Post Office Box number shown above.

And while you are at it, you might correct the address for Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Green. It has been coming to our address shown above, but should be going now to 4302 Glidden Way, Fremont, Calif. They will appreciate your doing this.

Six of the eight children of David and Hortense McClellan and their families held a little reunion at Clear Lake, Calif. recently. Boating, swimming and chit chat were the main attractions.

We would appreciate, also, 3 sets of picture pedigrees. If there is any money left over from the check - put it into research.

Sincerely,
Ross D. McClellan

July 23, 1964

Theodore Turley Family Organization:

Please change my address from 1124 Washington St., #5, Santa Clara, Calif. to:
3455 Notre Dame Drive
Santa Clara, Calif. - 95050

Thank you.

Ronald Dwayne Hatch

Howard F. Kartchner's address is changed from 1001 Walnut Dr., Farmington, N.M. to:
Box 127 - Bisbee, Arizona.

July 17, 1964

Dear Turleys:

Thank you so very much for sending us the Newsletter. We have read each issue with interest. We are enclosing a check to help with the wonderful work you are doing.

I am Isaac and Ida's second son. My wife, Retha, and I have five children. Our oldest son, George Lavon, is attending A.S.U. at Tempe, Ariz. Arlene, our oldest daughter, will return to B.Y.U. this fall. Ken and Linda will attend high school in Colonia Juarez. Our youngest boy, Robert, will stay with us this winter.

We have had such a thrilling experience this month. We have been called to take Harold and Ireta Turley's place here in the West Mexican Mission. It has been a wonderful experience to meet with them this week. We are so grateful for their help and advice. We just came back from taking them to the plane, so now we are on our own. Our greatest desire is that we may carry on the Lord's work here in this mission as well as they have done.

We appreciate all you are doing for the Turley family.

George and Retha Turley

(Address: West Mexican Mission; Ave. Garcia Conde Num. 310; Colonia Pitic; Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico.)

Sept. 8, 1964

Dear Turleys:

Dan has been working out of town for 15 months now so hasn't been around much. At the present he is working in Kingman. During the summer the boys and I were up there part of the time. We have 3 boys - Danny is 5 and goes to Kindergarten in Tempe. Keven 3½ and Garth 17 months.

We enjoy reading the Newsletter very much and are looking forward to the Reunion!

Dan, whom is better known as Clair, is the Grandson of Ernest.

Here is a check to cover newsletter, and where ever else needed.

Sincerely, Marie J. Turley
(Mr. & Mrs. Daniel C. Turley,
1825 Randall Dr., Tempe, Ariz.)

Ferrin D. Brinkerhoff (son of Levi & Rhoda), wife Sheila, & 3 children, Robin 10, Karen 7, and Jaren 5, are stationed in Germany with U.S. Armed Services. He has spent 37 mo., and wife & children 28 months. They have 9 mo. more before returning to states. He has about 3 more years to go before retirement & then can catch up on a little hunting & fishing & embark on a new career in life - working as a civilian. They recently took a vacation, going through Switzerland by car, tent & sleeping bags - best way to see things. The children are doing well in school & in Church work. All seem to be in love with the good old U.S.A. & are waiting for the day when they can get back HOME!!

Tillman Turley & wife, Tillman Jr. & wife Lynda, Anna Marie & husband Leonard "Buzzy" Haws & baby (they have 6 children) vacationed during July & August. Parts visited: Independence, Mo., Liberty Jail, Nauvoo, Carthage, Chicago, Detroit, Canada thru Tunnel, Niagara Falls; visited some of Tillman's friends & converts in his former field of Missionary Work - thence to Palmyra Pageant, 2 sessions, then into Pennsylvania to meet more of Tillman Jr's. friends of Missionary work, and thence to World's Fair in N.Y.C., Wash., D.C., Virginia, and then home; traveling in a 6-bed camper & new pick-up truck--a good way to enjoy the scenery & stop where desired, (6000 miles, plus).

Son Antone J. Turley married Joella Smith, dau. of Joel Smith of Mesa & Iris LeSueur of Eager, 10 Sept., Mesa Temple by Fred A. Turley of Temple Pres'y. They are in Provo where he attends B.Y.U. This leaves Tillman & wife with one "chick" left--Reuben, 16 yrs. Son Carl William Turley also attends B.Y.U. this winter.

Tillman Jr. is living in Elsinore, Calif. where he is teaching school. They have one son. Dau. D'Rae Turley Birdno is living in Show Low with husband & 4 children.

Joseph City, Ariz. - Oct. 5, 1964

Dear Lawrence:

Procrastination seems to be one of my most developed talents. Sorry! If it isn't too late, here's the news that I've collected for this newsletter.

The Harvey C. Turley family of Joseph City met on August 22nd for a family reunion. The eight children of Harvey and Dora, with their partners and their children, were all present, making a total of 39; also Dora's mother was present. They spent a day of program, visiting, eating and picture taking. It was the first time all had been together in close to 14 years. Oro Ray, their son, is teaching in Tucson this school year, having moved from Yuma, and son Arland is teaching in Safford. On Sept. 26, Harvey and Dora had two grandsons baptised: Raymond Turley, son of Louis and Nancy--Holbrook, was baptized by his father; and Kerry Westover, son of Ross and Ora May Westover, was baptised by his father. Ross and Ora May spent two weeks in Joseph City, taking in the reunion and visiting with Ross' parents and family also.

Goldie and John Webb had a family reunion when their daughter Maris and her husband and family returned from Germany after several years there with the Air Force. Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Hatch and family came from California and the Webb's daughter Marilyn Mayhan, her husband and family also came for the occasion. They had an enjoyable time.

Aunt Electa Turley reported to the Dr. in Phoenix last week to see if she could begin to use her leg--she broke her hip several months ago. The Dr. reported that the bone was healing but she still must not put her weight on it much. The Gary Morris's took her down for the check-up and brought her back to stay in their home for a time. She intends to get out some now, and is signed up to work on the School Election board tomorrow. Gary took in a session of the Temple while they were down that way.

The Arthur and Roberta Tanner family report that they have five grandchildren up at the BYU this semester--three of Elwin and Genevieve's children, and one each of Fontella and Richard Randall's, and Shirley and Leonard Diercksen. Any cousins up that way might look up Floyd, Arthur or Laree Bushman, or Barbara Dericksen, or Bill Randall. The Randalls also have a son, Michael, going to school at Tempe. Fontella Randall has gone for a visit with her daughter Betty in San Bernardino, Calif., this week-end. She took with her Marcy Randall, daughter of Bob and Patricia---Fontella's granddaughter.

Elwin and I took our two youngest with us down to Mesa for a visit with his folks and a session or two at the Temple. It was a very enjoyable trip. Said hello to Lawrence and Florence, and promised to return and get this letter off but didn't follow through very soon. We also celebrated our 25th anniversary yesterday, Oct. 4th, and it was made enjoyable by our children calling to wish us well. Also the Conference sessions were very good.

The Norman Turleys have purchased the Food Mart in Holbrook and are inviting all their relatives and friends to come trade with them.

The Charles Turley family feted Brother Turley and his son Norman at a Birthday Dinner, Oct. 4th, at the Home of Frank Turley in Holbrook. Those attending were Ann & Charles Turley, Woodruff, Norman and Mildred Turley & children, and Frank & Teddy Val & children of Holbrook, and Orson & Elaine Rogers and children of Joseph City.

The Orson Rogers family and Orson's mother made a trip to Kansas the last of August to visit friends. They were gone about 10 days. When they returned, they brought a Volkswagon along for Orson to drive to work in.

The Frank Turleys have about completed a new home on the hill, north side of Holbrook. They plan to move in sometime soon.

The Heaton's daughter, Linda, was chosen to represent her 4H group at Logan, Utah to model the dress she made for her 4H work. Alma Heaton is a daughter of Charles & Ann Turley.

Dee & Janice Johnson (dau. of Floyd) are living in Snowflake this year where he is teaching school.

Jerry & Judith Johnson (dau. of Edgar Turley, Holbrook) visited in Joseph City with friends when the Melon Festival was on there.

I saw Dicie Willis at the Fair in Holbrook middle of Sept. She was riding herd on her grandson (son of Mary Agnes) at the Carnival part.

Chester and Annie Frost also attended the Rodeo at Joseph City, during our Melon Festival. Chester is much improved since his serious heart attack some time ago. Dicie & Chester are the children of Pearl Turley Frost.

Hope we can all make it to the Turley Reunion at Thanksgiving time. I'd like to meet all of you.

Love,
Genevieve

Hello, Turleys! It's really wonderful to be members of our Tribe! Why? Because we are all working for the same goal---Eternal Life! Come on, let's keep up our enthusiasm, and along with that, let's give encouragement to each other. You know, a smile and a "How d'ye do" is a dandy thing to give, and it doesn't cost a cent. Let's all strive a little harder to put the 'right foot first', then we'll surely succeed in being credits to our Turley Progenitors.

Because of the kindness of several family members, there will be books to buy which contain the Pedigree Charts and Family Group Sheets of the Turleys. Please bring your "Centavos" to the Reunion. These Books will be very useful, and cost little. They would make dandy Christmas gifts.

Do you know? There is nothing nicer, or that parents get more enthusiastic about than their kids (children). I am very proud of my family---and I am sure all of you are very proud of your families also. Our son, Melvin, has responded to the call of Bishop of the Navajo Indian Branch of Snowflake, Ariz. This is a great challenge to that family who has learned that "where there is Unity, there is strength"! When it comes to responding to the call of the Priesthood, they are a family who has, thus far, worked unitedly together. Their son, Ronald, is a returned missionary. Maurice will be released in November. Five more of their fine sons hope to take their turns in the mission field. The two unmarried daughters will be dandy Lady Missionaries. The oldest and first of the family is LaRene. She and her fine husband are very happy with their lovely little daughter, and are expecting another child.

Our second son is President of the West Mexican Mission. His name is George Lake Turley. He and his wife have five children. Lavon goes to Arizona State University at Tempe; Arlene is studying at the "Y"; Kenneth and Linda are in Colonia Juarez. I am sure they like school at the good old J.S.A. in Old Mexico. Let us not forget Robert. He is the smallest missionary in the West Mexican Mission. He is six years old, and he is a dandy. He speaks Spanish almost as well as English. This family is really scattered but they are making the most of it. They know there is safety in responding to the Call of Authority of the Priesthood.

Our daughter, Viola, and her husband have had some very trying experiences. Their oldest son, Virgil, lost his sight when he was eight years old (15 yrs. ago); he is an example of patience and faith, a good quality for all of us to have. Their baby girl, three years old, underwent a serious operation a month ago, in which a cancerous kidney tumor was removed. She has been given Cobalt treatment. With the blessings of the Lord and what Drs. could do, her

life is spared thus far, and the little darling says, "I'm getting better now, Mama." Mark, their second son, was returning home to Arizona three weeks ago from a job he held with Cornell University this summer, when he met with an accident, wherein one of his legs was broken. He is a Sophomore at Arizona State University. Their oldest daughter, Glenda, underwent a serious operation last week. We are very thankful that she has been spared to care for her two lovely children. Her husband is studying toward his Ph.D. at Cornell University. Viola's second daughter, Mary, is a Senior at the "Y" this year. Their other three children, Kim, Dawn and Greg are in Elementary School. Her husband, David Virgil, recently passed his Arizona State Medical Examination, and is preparing to go into private practice soon.

We are very grateful for our three children and twenty-three grandchildren--and four great-grand ones.

We are still at the linen counter of the Temple on Tues, Wed, Thurs, and Friday evenings. When you come, please speak to us. Let's get better acquainted. Uncle Isaac is at the Baptismal sessions Saturdays.

With Best Wishes for the success of all Turleys,

Uncle Isaac and Aunt Ida.

On August 12, Keith and Anita Hallsted became the parents of twins, Rayna and Ron Kenyon. The excitement of having twins to raise and enjoy was marred by the loss of Ron Kenyon on Aug. 13. The twins were premature and little Ron couldn't get his lungs to fill out. The thoughtfulness and assistance given by relatives and friends was deeply appreciated. Rayna joins her sister Lisa Jo, and brothers Barry and Roger. Rayna has doubled her weight already. The family really enjoys the new baby.

NEWS ITEMS FROM LAWRENCE TURLEY'S FAMILY: Daughter Marie M. married July 17 to James H. Dugger, son of Mrs. Lottie Thompson of Mesa, and James H. Dugger Sr., of Mesa. James attends ASU, Majoring in Architecture.

Son David, & wife Alice have a new son born 12 Mar.--missed in the last News letter.

Son Mark living in Logan, Utah, attending U.S.U. full-time in preparation for Master's Degree in Seminary. Mark with wife Carol are Dorm Parents of Hoyle Hall on Campus.

Florence's Mother, Elsie McBride of Safford, has been visiting with the family for six weeks, indulging in her hobby of quilt making.

Ivis and Charles Fish left Phoenix on Sept. 27 for Lompoc, Calif. to visit with their son ??? Major ??? C. Lester Fish and family, for about 10 days. Then they went to San Diego to visit their daughter Valorie Knettle and husband Dix for a few days. They had a wonderful time and Val brought them home in her car to visit her brothers here in Phoenix on Oct. 10th.

Vessa and Rulon Peel have kept the Highway between Mesa and their cabin in Payson well used this summer and are still at it. ...getting so we don't know if they're Paysonites or Phoenixites...????

Hello Turleys:

We received letters from our family in Japan and they wish they could be at the Reunion, but will have to look forward to that, next year. Roy doesn't write as often as Lea does because he is in Thailand and South Vietnam more than he is in Japan, lately. They are all well and keeping busy in the Branch at Johnson Air Force Base. Roy is still Branch Pres. and does part of his work by mail, but they love the work, which means a lot.

Reed (Peterson--Betty Jane's husband) is on a Stake Mission for Mesa South Stake as well as Coach of Mesa High Football team. Betty is Work Counselor in the 9th Ward Relief Society, which doesn't keep her busy over 24 hrs. per day.

As far as we are concerned, we do all we can to keep the good work rolling along in Relief Society and Home Teaching, besides Cub Scouting in 1st Ward.

We hope to see all at the Reunion!!

Bill and Jane McClellan

Claudette Roy Stradling and William Bruce Jones were married Sat. evening, Aug. 22, at her Mother's house. A small Open House was held for the immediate families after the Ceremony. Her Mother kept watch over David (7½), Mike (5) & Larry (3 yrs.) while Claudette & Bruce honeymooned to San Francisco, Sequoia Nat. Park and along the scenic Northern Calif. Coast. They spent a day visiting with Sis. Florene & husband Bob & girls in Oxnard before returning home. Bruce works for the Internal Revenue Service in Mesa, and Claudette is enjoying homemaking. They are now living in Mesa at 43 So. Miller, and report that they are very happy.

Florene Roy Preston writes from Oxnard that they are well and happy. She is Visiting Teacher Message Leader, a Visiting Teacher & a district coordinator over about 7 districts. Bob is teaching the Ward Leaders in addition to his Seventies work. "It sure is wonderful to have that wonderful spirit in our home of real activity in the Church! Cynthia rides a bus to school this year, and really feels important getting to ride that great big bus. Our trailer factory is still going full swing. Bob & Stan are planning at present of maybe opening up a factory lot in the Valley--perhaps on the Mesa-Tempe Highway. Maybe we'll be over for a week or so the first part of November. Tell everyone HELLO for us."

Clifford L. Fuller joined his family in Mesa on Oct. 13th from Wales and Esther & Linden Dial and family expect to be arriving from Germany off their Work Mission about Oct. 24th, to resume life in Mesa. It will be wonderful for Hortense to have these two of her children's families nearer than across the "Pond", all safe and sound again. And we're sure their love & respect for Our Country is deeper and stronger for having been away.

(Cont'd.):
Many of them made their homes in the southern settlements of the Territory. They brought large stores of arms and ammunition. "Within six weeks a thousand persons will have forsaken their homes in that valley in obedience to the commands of their chief. Men, women and children go off without a murmur and with countenances lighted with stern joy, at the assurance... that they are about to fight and destroy their enemies. There is not one line in the face of a Mormon that does not defiantly say, "We will die before we submit."[109]

X. BACK IN UTAH

The reports on the life of Theodore Turley from this point on are very fragmentary. However, we do have enough to know that he was still active in the Church, and took a part in community affairs.

On February 22, 1858, he attended and addressed a mass meeting held at Cedar City, Utah. He was a member of a committee to draft a preamble and resolutions relative to the course of Brigham Young, and he signed that memorial.

Especially interesting to us is the report of a conference held October 7, 1859. Theodore Turley "bore testimony to the truth of the gospel of Jesus Christ; referred to the words of Daniel relative to the stone being cut out of the mountain without hands and spoke of the influences by which he had been surrounded; told of his experiences in California, while preaching the gospel there. President Heber C. Kimball spoke in high commendation of Brother Turley. Said he, "I have been much gratified to hear the remarks of Brother Turley. And I was exceedingly pleased to see him this morning. I naturally love him, for he is a true man. He is as true as gold that has a little dross in it; there is a good deal of the true metal in him. We all more or less partake of the world and the flesh, and the devil, and that is the dross which is in us."[110]

On December 18, 1859, Theodore Turley was a resident of Washington, Utah, and addressed a conference in Cedar City. On January 19, 1862 he spoke in the Tabernacle in Salt Lake City. In August of 1854 an important convention met at Salt Lake City. Theodore Turley was a delegate at the convention from Beaver County.[111]

We have no account of Theodore's activities between the year 1866 and 1871, when he passed away. We do know that he died after suffering untold pain from the dread affliction, cancer of the mouth. That condition may account for a few years' silence. In a sense, men like Theodore never die -- they just pass from one sphere of activity to another. He spent his life serving his fellow men. He started a great work, and we must carry it on. Are we going forward in a way that would be pleasing to him? That is our challenge.

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WE'RE BACK IN A FLASH WITH A FLASH!!

Some of us were late hearing about it, but we still feel the Turley Family are interested and would like to give our support through prayers and best wishes for a speedy recovery. Our Cousin and Brother, Tillman Turley Sr. underwent Major surgery in a Mesa hospital where he stayed for about ten days. He was released on Oct. 11th to return to his home in Eager, Arizona, and apparently is coming along OK. He is a very faithful man, to the Turley Family and especially to the Lord. May He bless you abundantly and cause your recovery to be speedy, we all pray sincerely, Tillman!!!

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