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Subject: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [loonhaunt](#) on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 10:51:23 GMT  
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I was just wondering about other ministers such as Jeff Barnett.  
I think he was the person who most wanted to be the next Hobart Freeman. That was my impression of him.

I heard that he had abandoned the faith message.

Also on the discussion of Steve Hill, I know that he still personally trusts God instead of running to man for healing.

As some of the ministers in Hawaii mentioned a few years ago that they were having to believe with him because he was very sick before having to do a TV interview and he wanted to trust God.

And there were other ministers like Jerry Earvin that I wonder what became of them.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [william](#) on Mon, 16 Apr 2007 13:23:16 GMT  
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Hello Loonhaunt,

Welcome to the forum!

My wife recently read a book by Jeff Barnett's wife that covered the years they spent at FA, and to my knowledge he is still preaching. I guess there are different perspectives concerning whether or not one has "abandoned the faith message". I personally don't know of anyone who hasn't evolved in their understanding, and application of, the teaching we received.

Personally, I wouldn't want to meet a 78-88 model year version of myself!

There is a discussion on Steve Hill around here somewhere but I know little to nothing about Jerry Ervin.

Blessings,

William

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [a barn kid](#) on Fri, 18 May 2007 04:39:01 GMT  
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Jerry Ervin, from the reports I've heard - got a divorce.

Apparently he, on his wedding night, had a stroke of conscience - and went back to his wife Kathy.

Hey - that's what I hear...that they divorced, he remarried, and that he's left that 2nd wife and has reconciled.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [tomax7](#) on Mon, 30 Jul 2007 18:42:18 GMT  
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Jerry, was one of the nicest person's I met while down at FA. He had a humble spirit and was gifted with music and worship leadership.

I had a couple of opportunities to ride with him down to his meeting in Greenfield, IN and stay with Tom & Beth Donahue.

I was sad to hear he divorced, so many kids in that home! I heard he went back to pharmaceuticals.

Glad to hear he reconciled back to Kathy.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [ump1](#) on Tue, 23 Oct 2007 20:54:23 GMT  
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Unfortunately there were other ministers that fell by the wayside. Bill Fouts from the Lafayette body, and the usual Sunday speaker as I understand, left his family, was into drinking and other worldly endeavors. If anyone has any other information on the Fouts family, I would love to hear it. They were dear friends to me at one time.  
Bob Burns, a pastor in California over several house meetings left his family to live with another

woman, eventually got a divorce from his wife, and never did provide any support to his wife Diane or his children. I knew them well, and Diane has been a guest in our home many times.

These occurred not long after Dr. Freeman left the scene. Again, it appears the leadership was following a man instead of Jesus. I really feel for these people. I knew them well, and would never have expected them to depart from the Lord.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [haufen](#) on Thu, 22 Nov 2007 10:39:07 GMT  
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just wondering how and where people get their information...it seems to me that this is mostly a place to gossip. a big shame on you all. i know that several of the things posted here are incorrect and i think its appalling that things like that would even be posted. there is a difference between stating the truth and then judging. btw...i am no relation to these people. its just the old faith assembly mentality. praise the lord i am free of that!

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [Duncan](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2007 20:11:17 GMT  
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Haufen,  
Please correct us if you see something wrong. I don't see it as gossip, but rather concern/curiosity about people we knew and loved many years ago.

Duncan

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Posted by [haufen](#) on Fri, 23 Nov 2007 20:27:01 GMT  
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in reading many of the posts it seemed like there was absolutely no positive comments about people at all with exception to one about jerry erwin! so and so left his wife...someone is drinking and so on. my mum was part of the original glory barn and we went to fa until it broke up....i can honestly say i was really disappointed in what i read. you see...i believe people are human and do make mistakes but the god i serve is merciful.. i believe also that its that mentality(the holier than thou lift up peoples downfalls) that caused many of the former members to be so bitter and confused.(not including myself there) so...finally, i will not correct the information as i feel it would

be lowering myself to take part in what i have just complained about....know that i will pray for those on this site that feel the need to write things like this and suggest a more positive avenue of conversation. i am sure it would be most beneficial. thanks for your response. michelle

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Subject: Re: Other ministers  
Posted by [Duncan](#) on Thu, 06 Dec 2007 14:16:06 GMT  
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Good morning all!

I came across this site yesterday, and thought I would share it with the group. It is the message archive of Vineyard Church in Syracuse, Indiana. This is the church that Jerry Ervin and family attend (Jerry's son, David, leads the singing - how cool is that!)

Anyway, in the archive I found two messages preached this summer. One by Steve Hill (who was in town for a wedding) and one by Jerry Ervin. This was the first time I have heard Jerry preach in over 20 years. I hope everyone enjoys it as much as I did.

Here's the link: <http://www.vineyardsyracuse.org/messages.htm>

Have a blessed day!

Duncan

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Subject: Re: Other ministers  
Posted by [loonhaunt](#) on Mon, 10 Dec 2007 04:16:44 GMT  
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Hi

You can also find some current messages of Steve Hill preached at Dr. Michael Browns church where Steve now lives.

<http://www.fire-church.org/sermons.aspx>

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Subject: Re: Other ministers  
Posted by [loonhaunt](#) on Mon, 10 Dec 2007 04:20:36 GMT  
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I just clicked on the Welcome page for Fire Church and see a picture of Steve.

<http://www.fire-church.org/welcome.aspx>

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Subject: Re: Other ministers  
Posted by [Duncan](#) on Mon, 10 Dec 2007 15:46:14 GMT  
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I just saw the picture of Steve Hill, and I think he looks just like his father, Stan. Even though I was a kid, I remember having lunch and dinner with Stan and Edna on several occasions. I have not seen Steve since his hair was gray, but that is how I remember Stan.

Duncan

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [tomax7](#) on Sun, 28 Sep 2008 15:35:48 GMT  
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...weren't the grey's Martians or something? That would explain why we were told not to wear grey, so we could distinguish the humans from the martians.

The Martians had glazed eyes and spoke in weird languages and drove around in old cars and always quoted their leader and...

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Umm, never mind.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned

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Posted by [NBF56](#) on Mon, 06 Oct 2008 06:33:28 GMT

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Back in 1976, I used to edit Jeff Barnett's tapes before they were copied for sale. I assembled a tape of all the edits, which were full of long pauses, "uh's", "umm's", superfluous words, mispronunciations, and the like. I didn't keep it, because of the obvious incendiary nature of such a tape. My brother edited HEF's tapes, and Bruce Kinsey's tapes, and assembled a similar tape of each of them. Bruce's was actually quite funny, but was also destroyed, for the same reason. I wish I had those tapes now.

Sounds like ole Jeff went of the deep end in legalism. I wish I could remember which of the "elite" preached a sermon at the new building about "shoot cussin". Talk about legalism! Some of the words he said were actually swear words would have been hilarious, if he hadn't been so serious about it. The bondage he tried to place on people was unbelievable.

Why is it that people who have escaped the bondage of sin are so easily duped into going back into a form of bondage voluntarily? My thought is that it is, at its core, a lack of trust in God, and unbelief. They don't really believe that their sins are forgiven, so they think they must "do" something in order to "prove" that they have been forgiven, and "do" something in order to hold on to that forgiveness. It is nothing more than works.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned

Posted by [NBF56](#) on Mon, 06 Oct 2008 06:46:51 GMT

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Hombre...I could see it coming...

Black would be the first to go, since it is so obviously 'not of the light',

Next it would be Red, since it is the color of sin and the devil.

After that Blue would be cordoned off since it is about being sad, or the reverse of the 'joy of the Lord',...followed by Green, the color of envy and sickness. Yellow could be said to be a dirty form of white ( see the pamphlet by Cheer detergent ) thus eliminating it, and what we have left is purple and white.

Purple is of course ' The color of kings' indicating the royalty of Christ, or it could be argued that many bruises are of a 'purple' color, thereby polluting its' purity, and we wouldn't want to do that, so just to be safe, 'Purple' is out too.

White is a difficult color. White is and always has been the undisputed color of purity and would therefore be good, except for the fact that Jesus said that there is none good except God. We therefore couldn't wear white because it would be blasphemous.

The only logical choice left then is clear. That is why God chose that color to begin with in the Garden of Eden.

...and now you know why I left FA.

Funny, that brought to mind the lyrics to Jimi Hendrix' "Bold as Love":

Anger, he smiles, towering in shiny metallic purple armor.

Queen Jealousy Envy waits behind him, her firey green gown sneers at the grassy ground;

Blue are the life-giving waters taken for granted, they quietly understand.

Once-happy turquoise armies lay opposite, ready, but wonder why the fight is on.

but they're all bold as love.

My red is so confident he flashes tokens of war, and ribbons of euphoria.

Orange is young, full of daring, but very unsteady for the first go-round.

My yellow in this case is not so mellow, in fact I'm trying to say, it's frightened like me.

And all of these emotions of mine keeps holding me from giving my life to a rainbow like you.

But I'm bold as love.

Or, am I not allowed to quote lyrics to those kind of songs here? I hope no one is offended...I'm a musician. I have always liked Hendrix's music.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [james](#) on Mon, 06 Oct 2008 14:41:06 GMT  
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You're allowed one quote per week...

No offense taken here.

I probably throw out more music lyrics quotes than anyone, I'm always relating things in life to songs. As I read the words of Hendrix describing colors( we won't get into which acid he was on when he wrote the song, but I'm thinking purple haze), a Rolling Stone's song came to mind, 'She's A Rainbow'. Though I don't have musical abilities as to playing instruments, I have loved music all my life, and having grown up in the 60's, the music constantly comes to mind.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [NBF56](#) on Tue, 07 Oct 2008 00:03:00 GMT  
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Alanbook wrote on Mon, 06 October 2008 04:01

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He could make noises with his guitar that I had never heard before, and make sounds that you wouldn't think a guitar could make. When he wasn't doing his "act", he was an innovative and creative player. But I have to say, his Monterey Pop Festival appearance was amazing. I have the video, and it's no wonder he became as famous as he did.

Who knows what went through his mind in his last moments? I know he was exposed to the Gospel in his youth. I still remember Stan Hill saying in a sermon that we're going to have 3 surprizes when we get to Heaven: Who's there, who isn't there, and that we're there.

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Posted by [NBF56](#) on Thu, 09 Oct 2008 02:37:10 GMT  
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NBF,

I would like to ask you a question? I went to Israel in 96, I think it was. There I met a brother from Ohio, he was a minister at Diciples of Christ church I believe. Anyway we were talking about music, someplace where we were at they was actually playing Hendrix.



He told me this story, That one time someone was interveiwing Jimi Hendrix and they ask him how does it fill to be the world's best guitarist, his reply was; I don't know you'll have to ask Phil Keaggy that question. I have some of Keaggys albums, hes a great musician. Do you know if this story is true? I just kind of wondered at the time I didn't question the brother on it.

One more little secular thing, if you get a chance to see clapton at the crossroads concert it is pretty fantastic. I lot of really good musicians. They show it occassionaly on PBS.

I did not know Hendrix had a Christian influence when he was younger. You learn something new every day.

Phil Keaggy himself says that the story is an urban legend. It arises from the fact that Glass Harp recorded their first record at Electric Lady, which was Hendrix's own studio, but Jimi was hardly ever there, especially in the late summer/early fall of 1970. Glass Harp won a battle of the bands in West Salem, Ohio, which got them their chance to record in New York, with Lewis Merentstein producing them. I don't the exact timeline, but I believe that Jimi may have already been dead by the time GH got to the studio.

I was very impressed with the Cream Reunion DVD. Cream was one of my favorite bands, and I learned a lot about playing bass from Jack Bruce. I haven't had a chance to see the Crossroads concert, but I've heard it's really good. I tend to avoid PBS, because of their liberal slant. I'll just have to find and buy the DVD....

I'll have to nail down that info about Hendrix's early years. I've read several biographies of him, and I know I read it. I also know that he was part Cherokee Indian.

NBF56

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [james](#) on Thu, 09 Oct 2008 02:48:41 GMT  
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Jim,

Since you're from Ohio and have ties to Phil Keaggy, do you know if he ever gets together with Eric Clapton to jam? I read in Claptons book a little while back that his wife is from Columbus, OH. and they have property there. I'd pay to be a fly on the wall if they ever jammed together.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [NBF56](#) on Thu, 09 Oct 2008 04:53:05 GMT  
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I'm not aware that he ever has. Phil lives in Nashville, TN. I've heard people mention that Clapton has been seen in some of the music stores around Columbus. I, too, would love to be there to hear Keaggy and Clapton jam. Of course I'm bold enough to say that I'd love to be a participant in such a jam. I have jammed with Keaggy, years ago, and spent an entire day in his living room, having him show me things, and playing along with him. Much of the way I play, I learned from Keaggy. He's very underrated as a bass player himself.

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [william](#) on Thu, 09 Oct 2008 18:21:43 GMT  
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Hombre wrote on Sat, 27 September 2008 22:22Oh yes, the grand Jefferino.

Jeff was the last straw for me, a while before he was for Alanbook.

One evening, he announced that the whole world was becoming 'grey'..no black and white anymore, just values of grey....

Though I can say, yes, OK I get it and agree, Jeff went on to say:

Well, have you noticed how many people are now wearing grey?

Here we go.

First it was Nikes, then Bomber jackets, then plaid flannel shirts...

So Jeff goes on to say the ridiculous and the expected:

'We ought not to dress like the world'.

Yes, Jeff, now grey clothing is evil.

When are we going to get rid of zippers and buttons and go back to straight pins, since everyone in the world is wearing clothes with zippers and buttons?

...you know, maybe it was a 'small thing', but it wasn't.

It's a BIG thing when legalism enters in and attempts to bind people up to notions that have NO basis whatsoever in the Bible.

Well, rant over.

Was Jeff the pastor (elder/bishop/overseer) of that assembly or was he "just" a teacher? Sounds like he wielded a lot of power! Maybe that was the problemâ€¦! <grin>

Blessings,  
William

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Subject: Re: Other ministers not mentioned  
Posted by [william](#) on Thu, 09 Oct 2008 18:47:09 GMT  
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Hombre wrote on Tue, 30 September 2008 13:49Alanbook wrote on Sun, 28 September 2008 05:29

Are you trying to tell us your still wearing grey.

No, my taste leans more towards black and white, as I believe yours' does as well.

Alanbook wrote on Sun, 28 September 2008 05:29

...For your information he was trying to bring some color into the assembly, the sisters would only wear blue sackcloth type dresses and we started to look like amish. I mean he did spend quality time researching this out.

I think that the whole sackcloth thing tended towards obscuring the 'feminine attributes', re: the whole 'modesty in apparel' issue....however, I'm not sure that meant that Omar the Tentmaker was supposed to be the 'chosen one' with reference to being the appointed tailor.

You've mentioned this on other occasions (the way women dressed in your assembly) and I must say that it wasn't that way at FA. Sure, there were those who wore that type of uniform, but it wasn't the predominate fashion; there was much more of an eclectic choice in clothing. I don't think my wife even had a denim jumper!

Here is my theory... Cindy Barnett was more of a denim jumper wearer (not that there's anything wrong with that), hence it would be natural for the rest of the body to emulate her. I cannot for the life of me picture June Freeman in a denim jumper... nor can I imagine Kathy Kinsey, or Pam Hill, wearing denim. It was always nice, modest, even contemporary stuff that they wore... course we men all had mustaches, but that is another story.

Blessings,  
William

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Posted by [james](#) on Thu, 09 Oct 2008 19:29:14 GMT  
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That's so true, not to mention a lot of folks either had or was 'believing for' Cadilacs or Lincolns...some folks even got into ham radios and making models. Naugh, we weren't easily influnced.

btw: welcome home Moulder...got some fresh baked homemade bread for ya...

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Nope, no influence there.....

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I got my mustache in the seventies also and it will never come off. I've had a beard since then also but I have no real emotional attachment to it. I think if I shaved it I'd look like some little kid with a mustache. I like the old time pictures at the turn of the century when men grew great big giant mustaches. I hope that day returns

I just had ford pick up faith thats all I wanted anyway. God did bless us with a brand new car paid for. I ended up selling it to Jeff Barnett years later.

I still like those big ship models, but even better then that a radio controlled air plane or helicopter would be neat.

Wasn't much influence either.

I sold the Lincoln, partly because it was impractical, being a two-door (Continental Mark V, the last of the "big boat" "land yachts"), and partly because I just didn't want it anymore, as I had no place to keep it. I've had much better cars since then.

Never got into the big ship models, was always a "car guy". What I really wish I could have held on to was my parents' old '39 Chevy pickup. with all of the parts available now, and all the way they can be restored and/or customized, it could have made a great hot rod/custom truck.

Will the big old "walrus" mustache make a come-back? I don't know...I've seen a few guys sporting one, and more than a few guys sporting the old Civil War-style handle-bar and goatee grown long. Every so often, I see a genuine FuManchu.

I have to say that I thought that Hobart's mustache fit him, it looked good on him.