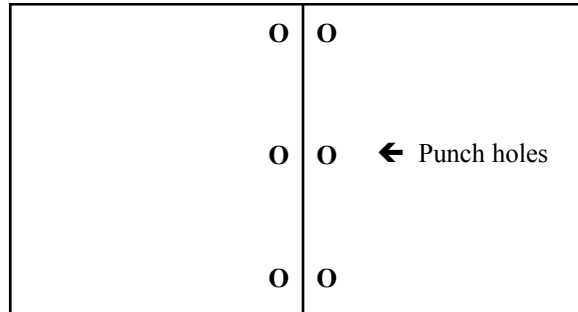


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INTRODUCTION



Francis W. Dixon
1910 - 1985



Joe and Sherran Flippin

A PERSONAL NOTE

I never had the privilege to meet Pastor Francis W. Dixon. I have used his Bible Studies for years and have seen many come to know the Lord as their Saviour.

These Studies have been a blessing to me personally and I trust and pray that you will be blessed as I have been.

God Bless You In Your Service For Our Lord!

Francis Dixon was born in north London in 1910, and became a Christian in 1929 through the preaching of the Irish evangelist W. P. Nicholson.

Before entering the ministry Mr. Dixon spent some years in business in London, and his evenings and weekends became increasingly filled with preaching engagements in many places.

He felt the call of God into the ministry, and from 1940 to 1946 he was minister of churches in Kent and Surrey.

In late 1946 he commenced his ministry as Pastor of Lansdowne Baptist Church in Bournemouth and quickly saw the blessing of God as the congregations grew.

Mr. Dixon was a gifted evangelist and Bible teacher. He could present the gospel (that is, the good news of the Lord Jesus Christ) in a warm, convincing and compelling manner. Many came to faith in Christ through his preaching.

But he was also an able Bible teacher. He could open up any passage from the Bible and explain it and apply it in a searching, straightforward, down to earth way. His preaching was profound, yet simple, and ordinary people benefited from it. They would come away from the services at Lansdowne having met with Mr. Dixon's God in worship, and having heard a message from the Bible which they

could understand. People were fed, encouraged, challenged and comforted in what they heard, and stimulated into a closer personal walk with Jesus Christ.

Printed notes of his weekly Bible Study meetings were produced and soon their circulation exceeded the local congregation to a worldwide mailing list of 40,000. These notes and the outlines were food for hungry Christians in all manner of places and of great help to busy pastors in their own preparation and preaching.

Mr. Dixon was a pioneer, and would use whatever means to publish an unchanging message. Lansdowne was among the first to produce recordings of services, and these became known as the "Words of Life" recordings. His Bible studies were produced in Braille for the blind. He pioneered a telephone ministry to present a simple daily two-minute message of help and encouragement.

Other ministries included overseas preaching tours, and the Keswick Convention (Cumbria) where he was a regular speaker.

He "retired" to Eastbourne, Sussex, in 1975 where he took up an itinerant ministry until his death in January 1985.

The ministry of WORDS OF LIFE is being carried by Mr. Dixon's son-in-law, David Tucker.



David and Mary Tucker

David and Mary Tucker have spent 26 years in pastoral ministry in the UK. David was assistant minister at Lansdowne Baptist Church in Bournemouth, before becoming pastor of Eastgate Baptist Church, Lewes and Cambray Baptist Church, Cheltenham.

Prior to entering the ministry David was employed in Christian publishing and distribution. They therefore bring a wealth of experience

to WORDS OF LIFE. They have been married for 33 years and have two grown-up children. They are now involved in an itinerant ministry, particularly to the Third World, and have recently visited and ministered in Zambia, Russia, the Far East, the Ukraine, Bangladesh, India, Kenya and Ghana.

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