

Brother Philip R. Jackson

Personal Data: *Birth: 12/30/1952 Baptism: 5/21/1972*

Ordinations: *Elder: 5/4/1975 Evangelist: 10/29/1989 Apostle: 4/17/2005*

Leadership: *Ohio Midwest Region: President, 1st, 2nd Counselor, Trustee,
MOC Vice Chairman, Region Q-70 Vice Chairman
General Church: Vice President Q-70, MOC Chairman, FMOC
Chairman & Vice Chairman, Coordinator for India, Finance
Committee and Chairman of the WCC Building Committee*

Mission Work: *Mexico, Italy, Poland, Philippines, India, Kenya, Germany,
England, Nepal, Peru, Guatemala, Spain, Venezuela, Navajo
Indian Reserve, Cree Nation Indian Reserve.*

Brother Philip R. Jackson was born in Warren, Ohio on December 30, 1952 to Brother Howard and Sister Anna Jackson. He is the second of three children; he has two sisters, Rosalie Mott and Mary Else, both members of The Church of Jesus Christ. He was raised in the rural farming community of Kinsman, Ohio and has been a faithful and dedicated member of the Kinsman Branch since his youth. His spiritual roots go back to his Great Grandfathers who were Apostles in the Church. His Grandfather, Brother Philip Dreer, was a great influence in his spiritual development and dedication to the Lord.

Brother Phil's natural life has been centered round his love for carpentry work. The Lord has blessed him as he has used his talents in many mission fields throughout the Church, building church buildings, remodeling, providing windows through his present window manufacturing company, and now, as he heads the remodeling efforts on The Church of Jesus Christ World Conference Center in Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Brother Phil has always loved being with the young people of the Church, attending GMBA conferences and campouts. He met his wife, Sister Francine (Ciccati) Jackson at a GMBA campout in 1974. They were married in San Diego, California on May 26, 1979 and have been blessed with four children, Zachary, Megan, Andrew and Tyler. He feels very blessed to have all his children as faithful and active members in The Church of Jesus Christ. He also has three grandchildren, Dalving, Iliana, and Adrianna Garcia, which have been a joy and blessing to his life.

Missionary Endeavors

Brother Phil has been very active in the missionary work of the Church since his youth. It began when he was blessed to work along side Brother Eddie and Sister Evelyn

Perdue, a wonderful couple who dedicated their whole lives to the missionary efforts of the Church throughout Mexico. This wonderful Brother and Sister played a great part in influencing him to become active and serve the Lord in the missionary endeavors of the Church. He has been blessed to have the opportunity to visit and work in many mission fields around the world endeavoring to share and spread the true gospel of Jesus Christ.

God spares his life

Brother Phil has a great testimony of the goodness of God, when in 1989, the Lord spared his life after suffering a severe case of spinal meningitis. At that point in time, Brother Phil worked as a salesman for a window manufacturing firm. On the way home, from an appointment, he fell gravely ill and could barely make the drive home. When his wife arrived home she found him suffering with a severe headache, fever, chills and other flu-like symptoms. Thinking it was simply the flu he went to bed to sleep off the effects until they passed. Early the next morning, his wife found him lying on the bathroom floor and called for an ambulance. Upon arriving at the hospital, he was taken to another floor for an MRI and testing as his wife waited in the waiting room uncertain as to the nature and depth of his illness. The Lord always provides for his children. As his wife sat and waited for his return. Sister Linda Italiano, a nurse, who had NEVER worked at this particular hospital on this particular day, found her and provided support and needed medical insight into his illness and was a catalyst in helping to get Brother Phil the care that he desperately needed. After 8 hours in the hospital, no doctor could be found who was willing to take Brother Phil as a patient, due to his grave condition; even the ER doctor on call would not agree to see or treat him. Exhausting every effort to get Brother Phil help and care at this hospital, and realizing that he would not receive such, Sister Linda contacted a Neurosurgeon she knew and advised him of Brother Phil's condition. Unfortunately, by this time, his condition had worsened into a state of unconsciousness. Within ½ hour this Doctor had run several tests and determined that Brother Phil had a very severe case of spinal meningitis and that the next 24 hours were critical to his survival.

His wife immediately called and asked the Brothers and Sisters to pray. A couple Brothers of the Ministry from the Church came and anointed him and waited on God to perform a miracle. One day Brother Phil began to feel very sick again and asked his wife to call an Elder to come and anoint him. She began calling different Brothers in the Ministry, but was unable to reach anyone. Not knowing who else she might try to contact, she quit making phone calls. As she turned around, there stood Brother Ralph Bernardino. Brother Ralph told her that he was painting on his home and the Lord spoke to him and told him to go and pray for Brother Phil. He said to himself, I need to finish painting then I'll go. The Lord spoke to him again and told him to go to the hospital. Brother Ralph said again to himself that he would go as soon as he was finished painting. The Lord spoke to him a third time and told him to go to the hospital. Brother Ralph put his paint brush away and went to anoint Brother Phil.

Later, when rehearsing the things that he remembered from his ordeal, Brother Phil stated that he remembered Brother Ralph coming to pray for him and how surprised he was to see him all dressed in white and that even his hair looked white. His wife then told him that Brother Ralph was dressed in a dark brown suit that day, not white. We believe that the Lord in his power reached out to him that day. From that point on, Brother Phil's condition turned around and he began the road to recovery. Later in the week, when he began to feel better, his doctor came in to talk to him. The doctor told him that he must have had someone greater watching over him, because his spinal fluid was the worst the doctor had ever seen in a person and he was truly amazed that our brother had even survived, let alone without ANY permanent negative effects. Praise God!!

This experience was a changing point in Brother Phil's life. Shortly after this illness, he was called to be an Evangelist and understanding that the Lord had spared his life for this purpose, has striven to use this "extended time" of his life to spread the gospel to the lost and dying souls of men and women throughout the world.

Calling as an Apostle

"One night I had a dream in which I found myself in a very large field. As I walked into the middle of the field, I saw Brother Nick Pietrangelo, an Apostle of the Church, standing with his back to me looking into the distance. As I walked up behind him, I put my arm around Brother Nick. Brother Nick began to talk with me for many hours. He was looking, as if into the future, and conversed with me and told me many things which would come to pass.

The next day I received word the Brother Nick was taken to the hospital and was in very bad condition. Within a few days, I was notified, by phone, by Brother Paul Palmieri, that Brother Nick had passed away. After the phone call, I got out of my chair and felt a great burden come down upon my shoulders. The weight was so great that I could not stand up straight for many days. "I knew at that moment that God was calling me into the office of Apostle."

The Latter Day Glory

Brother Phil has had the opportunity to witness many great manifestations of God's power through preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world. He has seen the lame walk, the blind see, demons being cast out, speech being restored, and many other miracles. He has visited in mission fields where the name of Jesus was never heard before. He has seen the transforming power of God upon men and women, and has watched as many souls have rendered obedience unto Christ and have been baptized into His Kingdom. He has watched as the Lord has called men into His Holy

Priesthood and has seen them go out and preach unto their own people, bringing many souls unto the Lord.

Brother Phil is a strong believer in the fulfilling of all the prophecies and promises that God has made unto His people in the latter days. He looks forward to the coming of the peaceful reign and the building of Zion, the coming of the Choice Seer and the gathering of the House of Israel. "There is no greater joy than seeing a soul that is lost come unto the Lord. It is of utmost importance to go and preach the gospel of Jesus Christ to every nation, kindred, tongue and people."