THE SERMONS, LECTURES, AND SONGS OF SIDNEY EDWARD COX

The Salvation Army Southern Bible Conference – Summer 1968 Shamrock Village. Ft. Pierce, Florida

> Special Guests: Dr. John Sutherland Logan¹ Reverend Sidney Cox Colonel and Mrs. Albert Pepper²

Highlights

Prayer – Colonel Harry Ward Congregational Singing - #589 Salvation Army Tune Book. Tune: *Amazing Grace*. Prayer and Announcements – Colonel Harry Ward Devotion – Dr. Logan. Text: Philippians 4:8-13. *Things That I Have Learned Therewith To Be Content*

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Editorial Note: What follows are excerpts from the meetings conducted during the week long Salvation Army Bible Conference of 1968. Officers from throughout the Southern Territory all congregate for this annual camp-style conference which is a Salvation Army institution.

Following the death in August, 1967 of his beloved wife, Violet, who had been a near invalid for many years, Sidney Cox was once again able to travel. Although he was 81 years of age, he was much in demand as a speaker and teacher, and resumed his extensive travel schedule. On this occasion, he had been invited to participate as a special guest speaker for the duration of the conference.

Sidney and Violet Cox voluntarily left the work of The Salvation Army in 1944, and in the summer of 1968, he had been a former officer for over 20 years; yet, he remained extremely close friends with the Southern Salvationists and in popular demand as a speaker, preacher and musician at their meetings. Many of the officers at the conference had been closely associated with him or had even been trained by him at the Army's College for Officers Training during his Salvation Army tenure in Atlanta from 1928 – 1944.

¹ Dr. Southerland was a Scottish evangelist who was president of Vennard College, a Weslyan-Holiness college in University Park, Iowa. He was a popular speaker at Salvation Army events such as Bible Conferences, Officers' Councils and at the Army training colleges in the late 1950s and 1960s.

² Colonel and Mrs. Pepper were well-known Salvation Army officers. Of note, Colonel Pepper became the first principal of the Brengle Holiness Institute, named for another Army icon, Colonel Samuel Logan Brengle. Like Brengle, Pepper became a noted teacher of the doctrine of holiness and was a personal witness to holy living.

This occasion was an emotional reunion for him and the officers in attendance at this conference.

John Douglas Cox, grandson of Sidney Cox. August, 2009.