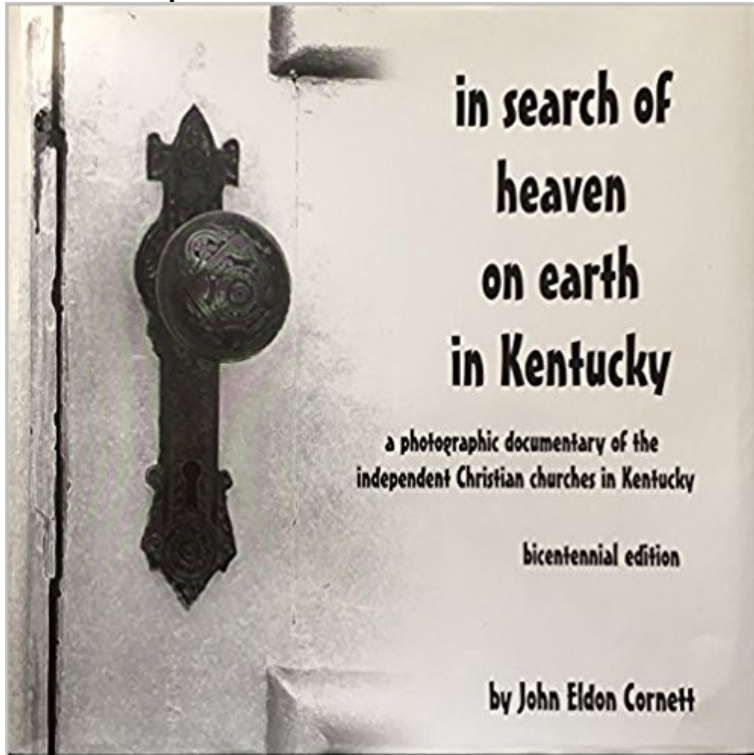


in search of heaven on earth in Kentucky: a photographic documentary of the independent Christian churches in Kentucky



Welcome to the cocoon of the Restoration Movementthe Commonwealth of Kentucky. From the edge of a prairie in Logan County in 1800 to a churchyard at Cane Ridge in Bourbon County, revivals came to Kentucky, the frontier of a new nation. In 1801 the Bluegrass State saw the great revival at Cane Ridge, later the site of a presbytery of congregations deciding to drop all sectarian names and be known as Christians only. The date was June 28, 1804. In 1832 Kentucky was again the site of another milestone of this great unity movement as proponents of the ideal to restore the church to the principles of New Testament Christianity joined forces in Lexington. Kentucky was the site of many of the religious debates during the formative years. Even today, Kentucky is home to one of the largest Christian churches in America. This photographic documentary seeks to create a snapshot in time of hundreds of these independent congregations across the vast reaches of the Commonwealth. Identified as the second fastest growing religious group in America in the decade of the 1990s, these independent congregations have no denominational organization or oversighteach church makes its own decisions. Working together, these congregations are establishing new churches, sending out missionaries, and evangelizing the neighborhood and the world. The purpose of this collection of fine black and white photographs, plus narrative sketches of nearly 300 congregations in Kentucky, goes beyond the visual. It seeks to explain in simple language just who these people are, in the process giving the reassurance that Gods people are still faithful. It is encouraging (amazing?) to know that hundreds of individual groups, independent of each other, different in personalities and backgrounds and environment and leadership skills and levels of maturity and

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