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Report

## Elma Alica Greever



**1888 - 1990**

“Oh that my words were now written! O that they were printed in a book!

That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock forever!

For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand

at the latter day upon the earth; And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.

Whom I shall see for my self and mine eyes shall behold, And not another; though my reins be consumed within me.

Job 19:23-27



# LOVE

## John 3:16-17

16. For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

17. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

## Romans 5:8-9

8. But God commendeth his love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

9. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

## Ephesians 2:4-7

4. But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love where with he loved us,

5. Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

6. And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

7. That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

## I John 3:1-3

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

2. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

3. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

## I John 4:7-21

7. Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

8. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

9. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

10. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

11. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

12. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

14. And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

15. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

16. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and in him.

17. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

18. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

19. We love him, because he first loved us.

20. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

21. And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

## Bylaws of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, Inc.

### ARTICLE VII

#### Doctrine

It is recognized that the true church of Jesus Christ consists of all believers in the saving grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who have accepted him as their personal Saviour. It is recognized and agreed that no organization or man has been granted authority by the Lord to exclude from or accept anyone into the Kingdom of Heaven, as this is done by Jesus Christ only. It is further recognized and agreed that we as Christians are to love all members of the Body of Christ (Christians), and this love and fellowship derives from the unity instilled by the Holy Spirit. Although differences in doctrinal beliefs and interpretations should not influence our love for one another, adherence to similar doctrinal beliefs and modes of worship have bonded together those of the Apostolic Faith Movement as founded by Charles F. Parham in the early 1900's. The scripture teaches us to adhere to the truth and proper doctrine. The common doctrinal beliefs are essentially as follows:

Triune God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit

Creation and Formation

Man is basically sinful and in need of Salvation

Salvation by Grace upon repentance toward God and acceptance of Jesus Christ as one's personal Saviour, which is the conception of Spiritual Life.

Sanctification of the Spirit, Soul and Body. A second definite work of Grace by the Lord Jesus Christ.

Baptism of the Holy Spirit; evidenced by speaking in other languages.

Water Baptism (of all believers) by immersion in water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Washing of Feet.

Divine Healing through Jesus Christ for all believers.

Do not condone divorce and remarriage. Matthew 19:8-9.

Destruction of the Wicked.

Conditional Immortality.

Rapture of the Man Child Class.

Return of Jesus Christ to earth again; bodily and visibly.

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These basic doctrines shall be adhered to in the teaching of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, which in addition to other doctrinal teaching approved by the Board from time to time if they are not in consistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

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# A F B C NEWS

Acts 1:11 says "this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven."

The Church has had this hope for close to two thousand years. The first time he came, there were people anxiously waiting for the messiah. Today, the true church is getting ready, and with hope we are looking for his return in our day.

It is true we are living in the day the church will be purged. All the dross will be removed, and only the pure gold will remain. Isn't it wonderful to know we can be pure—spotless, without a blemish or even a little wrinkle, but perfect before God. If we are to be at that meeting when Christ comes back, we will have the wedding garment on.

Simeon and Anna waited for the consolation of Israel (Luke 2). So, we await his second coming. Let our hearts be filled with great hope, and a joy that the King of Kings and Lord of Lords is coming in our day. Church, prepare for his coming.

**M. D. Methvin**  
Superintendent

## Girls Dorm

Hello from the girls dorm. Another busy semester is passing quickly as we are learning His word and enjoying the Lord's presence in our lives.

Actually this is my first semester here at Bible College in this capacity. I would never have imagined 6 years ago when I came to Bible School as a student that I would someday be the dorm "mom". Sis Pat Robinson asked me a few weeks ago what I did to deserve this job. I simply replied like this, "One day a few years ago I made a commitment to the Lord. I told Him that I would do what He wanted me to do or go where He wanted me to go. So here I am serving the Lord in the capacity of Dean of Women." The girls in the dorm are growing in Him every day. They are learning day by day what it means to really love the Lord and live holy and wholly for Him.

With the close of the Valentine season and the focus being love, I have tried to comprehend the Love of God. But it is impossible. I can't imagine a love so great that will wash away all our sins, forgive us and then never to be remembered again. And so we strive daily to perfect our love for Him, to serve Him better than ever before and to win lost souls for Him. His coming is extremely close I am sure. Let us continually strive to love Him more than ever before and love others to his great forgiveness and mercy. Pray for us as we continue to grow in His great love.

May God Bless You,  
Valerie Oakes

"Where there is no vision, the people perish..." Prov. 29:18

This scripture has been our theme here in the Men's Dorm. The young men in the dorm and I share the vision of becoming skilled soliders in the arena of spiritual warfare. Through study of the Bible we have learned about spiritual armor and the weapons which help us defeat the powers of the enemy.

We have seen the power of God at work in our midst. He has torn down strongholds and broken bondages in the lives of the students here. The students and I would like to thank each one who, through their prayers and financial support, share our vision. Please remember these young men in prayer:

Erik Cameron  
David Carter  
Ted Hedman  
Ty Hedman  
Van Hollis  
Louis Keeling  
Paul Morrison  
Justin Rose  
Jacob Urick

Thank you. May God bless you.

**Bro. James Brown**  
Dean of Men

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# TESTIMONIES

## From The Apostolic Faith Bible College



God has done many wonderful things for me this year. He has helped me overcome many of my personal problems and has helped me grow spiritually. I know he is answering my prayers concerning myself and my unsaved friends. I thank God for all he has done for me and for the many wonderful friends he has given me here at this school.

**-Cindy Harris**  
Columbus, Texas

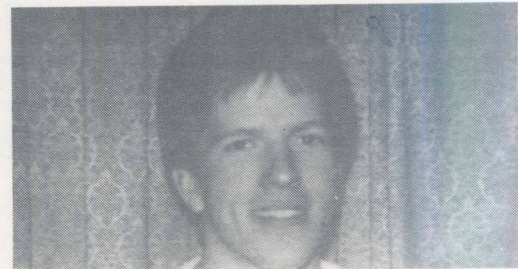
As a child of Christian parents, I was brought up in church, hearing and learning the things of God. I had never really made a commitment to the Lord though, until He performed a miracle in my life in March, 1987. For some reason, which the doctors never figured out, I had a seizure that put me into a coma for three days. People all over the United States, and especially my family and others from my church, spent a great deal of time in prayer for me. On my third day in the hospital, God touched my body, and I awoke from my state of unconsciousness. At that point in my life, I realized that God had given me a second chance to live for Him every day, and I'm thankful to be at the Apostolic Faith Bible College studying the word of God and growing in Him.

**-Ann Meyer**  
Columbus, Texas



I was raised in a Christian home all my life. It wasn't until after I graduated from high school did I make a commitment to serve the Lord. I went to Super Camp '89 and was saved and made my foundation in the Lord. Later that summer, the Lord told me to attend Bible College. So now I am attending school learning and anchoring in the things of the Lord and His word. I don't know what I'll do after two years of Bible College, I'm just trusting in the Lord to show me what to do until then.

**-Justin Rose**  
Carthage, MO.



When asked to share my testimony, my mind was overwhelmed. The Lord is so wonderful and gracious, it is hard to put it into words. I knew of the Lord all my life, but it wasn't until I was 17 years old I truly became "Born Again". The summer previous to this school year, I fully trusted in the Lord and consecrated my life to him. There was a void, a dark emptiness in my life, and I knew He was the only one who could fill that void. Three years ago, coming to Bible College was the farthest thing from my mind. But, "Praise the Lord", I am here and enjoying every minute of it. The Lord has performed many healing "miracles" in my life, and I am thankful He can even heal the soul and spirit, not just the physical body. He has given me a peace in my life, and I praise Him for that. To look around and see Him work is a great feeling. Knowing that in some small way, once a sinner but now a child of God, I am helping the Lord, is also a great feeling. I pray that I and all other Christians might take the word to the heart, and stand up for the one who once stood for us on Calvary. I encourage any teens out of high school to earnestly pray and seek the Lord's will in your life. If you are looking for a place to grow in the Lord, this is the place. There's victory in Jesus.

**-Erik Cameron**  
Columbus, Texas



I thank God for the opportunity to come to A.F.B.C. The Lord has blessed me with close friends, a better knowledge of the truth, and a deeper love of Jesus. I have a better sense of purpose in my life. I know the Lord has a purpose for me and whatever it is will be the best and most rewarding thing



I could do. I am so thankful for God's comfort and direction. The peace that passeth all knowledge. He truly is a faithful God.

**-Louis Keeling  
Kingman, KS**



I have always gone to church ever since I could remember. When I was a little girl, mom and dad took me to church and I enjoyed going. Somewhere along my junior high school age, I lost out with the Lord. I was rebellious and down right hateful to everyone. I did what I wanted to do. I disobeyed my parents, but also I went against the so called "crowd" in school. This went on until about my junior year in high school. My life began to make a way back to God, the Lord started to use my brother Rene. Rene had gone to Bible College at Baxter Springs for about three years. He would know, through the Lord, that I wasn't a christian at this time. I can still see him crying and pleading me to turn back to the Lord. Because the Lord kept working on me through Rene, I found my way home. The most amazing thing that sticks out in my mind is this, the Lord never gave up on me. That is what keeps me serving Him, because that makes to never give up on the Lord.

**-Donna Haines  
Follet, Texas**



My Testimony is when I first got saved and that was August 12, 1983. I started going to a church in Rosenberg, Texas. One night the preacher gave an altar call, my friend asked me if I was saved and I said no so she asked me if she could pray for me and I said yes. I gave my everything to God that night and that was the best thing that has ever happened to me besides coming to a Bible College.

**Sara Triguere  
Onalaska, Texas**

Through the prayers and encouragement of the faculty and my fellow students I am striving to become established in Christ, so that I might keep the faith after Bible School. I



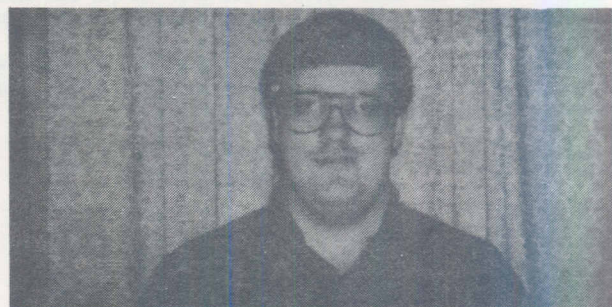
thank the Lord daily for this opportunity, and for the grace he has shown to me, and is continuing to show. I appreciate the family of God more each day.

**-Paul Morrison  
Ethete, Wy.**



When I was young I was literally forced to go to church with my parents when they went. Then, when they stopped going, so did I. I was saved during my sophomore year in High School and was sanctified the summer after my senior year. After high school I had to choose a college. My mother and father both had ideas for me, but I knew what I wanted to do. I came to Bible College and have grown closer to God since! I received The Baptism of the Holy Spirit my first week at school. The Lord has continually blessed my life since I've been at Bible College. I know that I'll always have struggles, but I know that through and with Christ I can overcome anything.

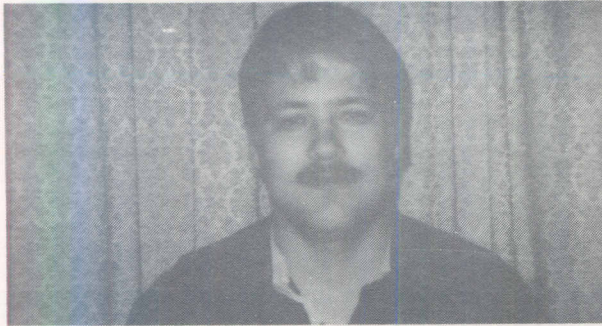
Your sister in Christ  
**Margaret Myers  
Baxter Springs, Kansas**



I thank God for his goodness to me, but most of all, I thank him for his grace and love that he has shown to me and in spite of my failures. God is still there ready to pick me up and to help me and to see me through life's journey. He is my God, my King, and my Saviour because he lives within my heart. I am ready to strive to serve him and please him daily.

**-Ted Hedman  
Clay Center, KS**





The Lord God had told Abraham that if he would follow him he would make him a father of all Nations, thus I have found that true even in my own life, the Lord hasn't promised me to be a father of Nations, but he has promised to bless me so abundantly even as he blessed Abraham. Since coming to Bible School a year ago I have drawn closer to the Lord. How much I wish every young person had the opportunity, to go to Bible School even as I have. My endeavor is serving the Lord is to be all that he wants me to be. In soul, mind and body. Praise God for all his many blessings.

Sincerely in Christ  
Ty Hedman  
Clay Center, KS.



I want to say how much I love the Lord. The Lord has always been there for me. He's helped me through the hard times. He also has been there in the good times. The Lord has never failed me. I want to thank the Lord for helping me through each day of my life.

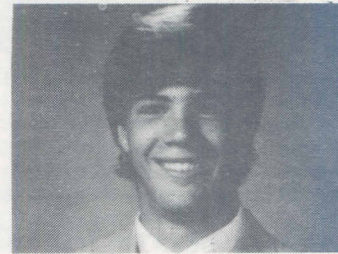
I also thank the Lord for giving me a great christian home. I'm thankful that I have had the chance to attend the Bible College. It has helped me in many ways.

-KaRene Theilen  
Lahoma, OK



God has blessed my life abundantly! He opened my eyes to the truth and separated me from the things of this world. He has given me a love that no one on this earth could ever give me. He showed me how to take that love and share it with others. Thank Him and Praise Him, take that step of faith and always keep God first in your life. He too will bless your life and give you the love and courage to face anything that will come before you.

God Bless  
KIM HILL  
Laverne, OK



The Lord has truly been good to me the last couple of years. The summer after I graduated from high school I was making plans to attend college and had no intentions of attending Bible School. The Lord had other plans, however. God changed my plans in one single evening at the end of the summer. God directed me to Bible School and then brought me back for the second year. I have truly enjoyed Bible School, and I encourage all young people who read this to consider attending Bible School. The Lord is still working in my life and I would appreciate your prayers for me and the Bible School.

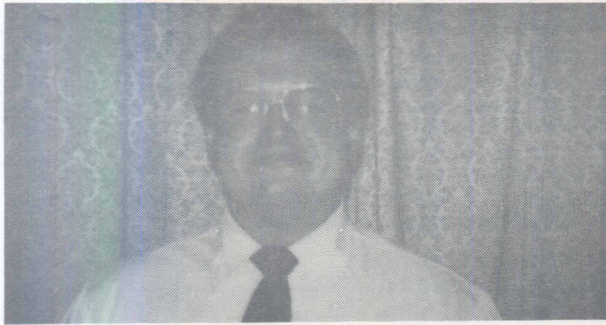
God Bless You All,  
Van Al Hollis  
Balko, OK



I am so thankful for knowing such a wonderful and mighty God. My God is real! He has never failed me! He looks beyond my faults and patiently helps me day by day. Meeting my every need. He gives me strength, encouragement, love and a undescrivable peace. "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."

II Tim. 1:7  
Lynette Arnall  
Baxter Springs, KS





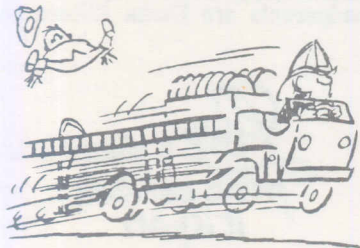
It is such a privilege to work in the vinyard of the Lord. The Lord has blessed me beyond words. I'm so thankful that God has called me out of my Sin and iniquities to be a steward in his fields. I've always known that God has had a calling upon my life. God told me that I was dedicated unto him before my parents were born and when I prayed through to Santification, God took me up on my consecration. For a period in my life I tried to run from God but as the scripture says "For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance." I learned that you can run from God but you can't hide. The greatest I've ever experienced was when I came back into the folds of God. For Jesus is the Peace that passes all under standing. To know the divine will of God is to take full advantage of the blood sacrifice Jesus shed for our sanctification and to go into the deeper gifts of God. Being in Bible School is a once in a life time chance to learn the true doctrine of Jesus. Many people come to bible school put in their time and leave. I pray to God that when I leave I may be a blessing by spreading the word to whosoever will. It won't be an easy task being a steward in Gods vinyard but it would be worse not to heed the call of God. We may loose a battle now and then but Jesus has already won the War.

Jacob Urick  
Alvin, TX

#### WHY ARE FIRE TRUCKS RED?

Fire trucks have four wheels and eight firefighters, and four plus eight equals twelve. There are twelve inches in a foot. A foot is a ruler. Queen Elizabeth is a ruler, and the Queen Elizabeth is one of the largest ships on the seven seas. Seas have fish. Fish have fins. The Finns fought the Russians. The Russians are red. Fire trucks are always rushin. Therefore, fire trucks are usually red!

If you think this wild, you ought to hear some people trying to explain why they are not attending Sunday school and church on Sunday morning!



#### THE NAME "CHRISTIAN"

Henry Ward Beecher: "Let me speak in the language of heaven and call you Christians."

Albert Barnes: "These divisions should be merged into the holy name Christian."

Martin Luther: "I pray you leave my name alone. Do not call yourselves Lutherans, but Christians."

John Wesley: "I wish the name Methodist might never be mentioned again, but lost in eternal oblivion."

Charles Spurgeon: "I say of the Baptist name, let it perish, but let Christ's name last forever. I look forward with pleasure to the day when there will not be a Baptist living."

Peter, the Apostle: "Yet, if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in this name" (I Peter 4:16)

Paul, the Apostle: "Now, this I say that every one of you saith, I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas; and I of Christ. Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or were you baptized in the name of Paul?" (ICor. 1:12, 13)

Luke, the writer of Acts: "...And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch" (Acts 11:26).

**FAITH** is dead to doubts  
dumb to discouragements,  
blind to impossibilities,  
knows nothing but success.  
**FAITH** lifts its hand up through  
the threatening clouds,  
lays hold of Him who has  
all power in heaven and  
on earth.

**FAITH** makes the uplook good,  
the outlook bright,  
the inlook favorable,  
and the future glorious.

V. Raymond Edmam  
—Herald of His Coming

#### THE CORRECT READING

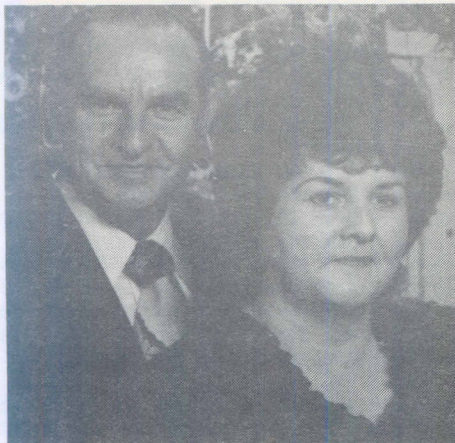
An infidel, who was also an invalid, sent his little daughter to live with friends who taught her to read. She proudly told her father when she came home, "I have learned to read." "Well," he said, "let me hear you read that," pointing to a board at the foot of the bed on which he had printed in large letters, "God is nowhere." Carefully she spelled out the words in the way that seemed right to her, "God is now here." The unbelieving father was startled and perplexed, But God blessed that new reading to the salvation of his soul.

—Pulpit Helps

Happy is the man who walks so close to God that he leaves no room for the Devil to come in between.



## Appreciation Day Honors Arnalls



Rev. and Mrs. Jim Arnall marked their 25th anniversary in the ministry Sunday, October 15 at the Bethel Christian Church, Ashland, AL.

The Arnalls attended the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, KS in 1963 and 1964 and pastored the Pine Hill Chapel, Pine Hill, AL from January 1965 to April 6, 1973. Bro. Arnall also taught Bible at Catherine Academy from June 1970-1974 and served as Headmaster at the Academy in 1976-1977.

He has served as pastor at Bethel Christian Church since April 13, 1973 and Oak Hill Christian Church, Millerville since 1974. Bro. Arnall has also served on the Board of Directors of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, Baxter Springs, KS since 1980.

The Arnalls have one son, Steve Arnall, Follet, TX; two daughters, Kayla Anderson and Shauna Turner, Ashland and seven granddaughters.

## 40th Anniversary



Jack and Twila Wilson of Balko, Oklahoma celebrated their 40th anniversary with a reception on Sunday Feb. 4th at the Balko School Cafeteria. This event was hosted by their children and their grandchildren. Jack married Twila Fish on Feb. 2, 1950. They have lived in the Panhandle most of their lives.

Children of the couple are Mr. & Mrs. Merle (Lorena) Cowan of Stinnett, Texas, Mr. & Mrs. Terry Wilson of Balko, Oklahoma.

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## Can You Help?

Sis. Maxine Long of Taneyville, Mo. is writing a history concerning the Apostolic Faith Church there in Taneyville. If any of you have any historical information concerning the building of the church, pastors, revivals, vacation bible schools or any other happenings in that area please write or call her with your information. She may be contacted at HCR-2 Box 57 Taneyville, MO. 65759. Her phone number is 417-546-5867. Thank you for all of your help.

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## Turner

Mr. & Mrs. Jay Turner (Shauna Arnall) of Ashland, AL. announce the birth of a daughter Lesli Jayde Turner on Sept. 21, 1989 at the Clay County Hospital in Ashland, AL. Lesli weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was welcomed by big sister Jessica Erin 2½. Grandparents are Rev. & Mrs. Jim Arnall Ashland, AL., Mr. & Mrs. Harold Schell Talladega, AL. and Mr. Jerry Turner, Fayette, N.C.

## Dorris

Mr. & Mrs. Joel Dorris, Crosses, Ark. announce the birth of a daughter, Chelsey Janae. She was born Feb. 4, 1990 and weighed 8lbs. 1 oz. and was 20½ in long. She has two sisters Charity and Autumn and one brother Benjamin. Her grandparents are Dennie and Karen Oakes, Joplin, Mo. and Joe and Ruth Dorris, Purcell, Mo. Greatgrandparents are Wanda Allgood of Joplin, MO. and Mr. & Mrs. Hershel Dorris of Galena, Ks. and her great great grandmother is Faye Allgood of Miami, OK.

## Harris

Charles and Andrea Harris of Columbus, TX. announce the birth of their first child - Serena Dawn. She was born Feb. 11, 1990 at 11:56 p.m. She weighed 8lbs 3oz and was 20in long. Serena's grandparents are Roger and Martha Sims, Taneyville, Mo and Ronald and Shirley Freshour, Columbus Tx. Greatgrandparents are Dema Ellison and Gertrude Sims.

*Love is always  
patient and kind;  
it is never  
jealous.*



# -:- OBITUARIES -:-

**Elma Alicia Teague Greever**  
1888 - 1990

Elma Alicia Teague was born October 24, 1888 to James Robert and Alice Melva Teague near Alba, Mo. in Jasper County. Her family included four sisters and two brothers.

Elma married Edwin Adams Greever, March 8, 1911, and on March 12, 1911 moved to Ochiltree County Texas, five miles south of Waka, where she resided until she moved to Spearman in 1974.

Her husband, E.A. Greever died May 2, 1975.

Mrs. E.A. Greever passed away Friday February 2, 1990 in the Hansford Manor in Spearman, Texas, at the age of 101 years, 3 months and 9 days. Sister Greever is survived by one son, W.R. Greever of Spearman and one daughter Kathleen Sutton of Spearman and their spouses Evla Lee Greever and Tom Sutton. Seven Grandchildren; Billie Joan (Greever) Reynolds of San Antonio, Robert Greever of Perryton, Omar Sutton of Spearman, Norean Sutton of Spearman, Helen (Greever) Batson of Plano, Texas, Steven Greever of Spearman, and Darleen (Sutton) Lasly of Dumas, Texas, and six great-grandchildren as well as many relatives and fellow - Christians.

We remember Sister Greever for her gifted talents and unselfish Christian service.

She published five books of sacred songs as well as a book of poems. Her song books bore the title "Heavenly Echoes". Her book of 48 poems is entitled "Peace, Quietness and Assurance".

The following testimony was given by Sister Greever to her daughter, Kathleen.

She attended service in a Methodist Church in an inland town called Preston, three miles from their home. She was converted during a revival in a Presbyterian Church in that town at the age of 20. There was always a hungering for something she had not heard. In 1920, the Morton Sisters were conducting services in the Old Waka School house. Here, Sister Greever was sanctified. At that time she took the Lord as her healer and has trusted Him fully since.

In 1922, at the Joe Davis Home near Range, Oklahoma, she received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Wondering what the Lord would have her do she opened the Bible at the book of Ruth. As she read she felt it was all for her... (to labor in this field until the end).

Sister Greever's first sermon was preached at a baptismal service on the Palo Duro River near Range, Oklahoma. On Easter Sunday 1923. Her topic, "The Robe of Righteousness." The seams of this garment are bound with Love, Joy, Peace, Long suffering, Gentleness, Goodness, Faith, Meekness and Temperance.

Sister Greever preached at Spearman, (as pastor for years in the Union Church); Greever, Range Okla.; Hardesty, Okla; Perryton Waka, Blodgett Community; Black Community; Lake View - (Pipkin Community); Lone Tree Community in Ocheltree County; McMillon Community; and for seven Sundays filled in as pastor in the Midway Church at Logan, Oklahoma.

The people where she lived and the people of the Apostolic Faith Movement knew her life. Sister Greever was a minister of the Gospel for over 67 years. She was a citizen of the Texas panhandle for over 79 years. She was a widow for nearly fifteen years.

Sister Greever desired that all praise would be given the Lord, because "We are what we are by the Grace of God".

Sister Greever's life-long desire was to live till Jesus Comes.

**John L. Mathis**

John L. Mathis passed away in his home, next door to his son Donald, December 11, 1989 Hempstead, Texas, after several months of illness.

He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. R.S. Mathis, born August 25, 1898 in East Benard, Texas. Attained the age 91 yrs. 3 mos. and 16 days. He resided in Waller County many years; a farmer until his retirement.

Bro. John was converted in a cottage prayer meeting over 50 yrs. ago, which was conducted by Bro. Joe B. Dewees in the home of Sister Ida Nelson. He was always ready and eager to talk about the word of God and tell what Jesus did for him. Altho being blind the last few years of his life, his faith and hope in the Lord never faltered and was looking forward to Christ coming again.

Survivors include three sons Donald Mathis and his wife Elva, Raymond Mathis and his wife Bobbie and Bryant Mathis and his wife Norma, one daughter Louise Crowhurst. Seven (7) grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, neices, nephews and a host of friends.

Funeral services were conducted 2 p.m. December 12, 1989 in the McWilliams Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Roland Busch officiating and assisted by Bro. Joe Dewees and Bro. Mike Brening. His granddaughters - Joyce Bushman, Elvilee Blythe and Doneva McPhetridge sang "My Wonderful Lord - Mathis Trio - Kim Mathis, Karen Hackett and Janis Brening sang "Some Golden Day Break" - grandson Elton Mathis Jr. joined the granddaughters as they sang "I'll Meet You In The Morning".

Pallbearers were grandsons, David Bushman, Brent Blythe, Ted McPhetridge, Steve Hackett, Ron Brening and Elton Mathis Jr.

Burial was in Oakland cemetery Navasota, Texas with Bro. Brent Blythe in charge of the graveside service.



February 5, 1990 Funeral services for Mrs. E.A. Greever were conducted in the Spearman, Texas Apostolic Faith Church by Pastor Leland Grimmer and Jacob C. Regeir. Singers were Ted Barker, Jimmy Wallis, Edwin Modrick and Jack Cornell. Organist, Mrs. Katherine Cornell.

Interment was in the Hansford Cemetery, near Spearman.



# THAT OTHER CROSS

"And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death.

And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left." Luke 23:32-33.

Calvary, Golgotha, which is being interpreted, the place of a skull. Mark 15:22. This is Mark's explanation of the place where Jesus was Crucified. Christians believers place great emphasis on Calvary and rightly so. It is the focal point, on this earth, where Jesus, God's Son, paid the debt that we could not pay and purchased our salvation from sin and death, bring to who-so-ever will hope of life and that more abundantly. So the Cross, the middle Cross, becomes the focal point of our redemption. The cross that Jesus occupied is held in deep reverence and high esteem. The road to heaven begins at the foot of the old rugged cross.

Isaiah wrote, some 700 years prior to Calvary, chapter 53:12 the last part of the verse: "Because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors;" God's great plan and time was fulfilled. Luke wrote, "There were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death." The world considered Jesus as a malefactor. The other two were a proven menace to society, having broken the law viciously. Jesus was numbered with transgressors just like Isaiah wrote. God chose this way to bring salvation to we lowly humans. It is so marvelous and wonderful. Who else but a Heavenly Father could bring about such a marvelous plan of deliverance? Two wonderful things: God bringing about such a plan and Jesus being willing to go through such a wicked, painful, and humiliating experience. I crown him King of my heart anew. He is a wonderful Saviour.

There is no question about the importance of the Cross of Calvary. I want to present that other cross. Sometimes we overlook two crosses: one on either side. You could ask, "What important place does these two crosses have in God's plan?" I want to identify and name these two crosses. One is the cross of rejection and the other the cross of acceptance. There is no way humans can fit into the middle cross but we can fit, and we do fit into that other cross.

Let us review the scene of the malefactors on the cross. Luke 23:39-43 "And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on him, saying, "If thou be the Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly: for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, verily I say unto thee, to-day shalt thou be with me in paradise."

One of the malefactors used the same procedure as the deriders used. "If thou be the Christ come down from the cross?" Generally criminals don't feel sorrowful for what they do. They are sorrowful they got caught. There must be some remorse for sin or there can be no true repentance. True repentance is; to do no more. There is no way to be a true Christian and still love sin. To hate sin is to love Jesus. To love Jesus is to do His will. Jesus is to do His will. Jesus said, "He that is not with me is against me." A fountain doth not give water bitter and sweet. Either sin reigns in our mortal living or Jesus reigns in our mortal living. No way a human can be neutral. Pilate tried that by washing his

hands in water and said, "See thou to it. I am innocent of the blood of the just man." His end proved he was not innocent.

We have no record that the railing malefactor ever changed his attitude. He showed no remorse. He admitted to his condemnation. Justly he was being crucified. The other malefactor rebuked him and turning to Jesus said, "Remember me when you thou comest into thy kingdom." He readily admitted to his misdeeds and ask for mercy. He fully realized Jesus was the only one that could help him.

I don't think that last hour repentance is the better way but we cannot discount the repentance and acceptance of this malefactor. He had no time to work for Jesus. He became no member of a Church organization. He was not baptized in water. He had only a few hours to live. He was accepted by Jesus.

That other cross becomes our cross. The cross of rejection or the cross of acceptance. We have the opportunity to recognize Jesus as Saviour of men. We can acknowledge our misdeeds, our sins, and ask for mercy: or we can reject Him. Rail on him and go in our wicked ways to be numbered with the transgressors. God leaves the choice to us. We have the right of choice and we must choose. We still end up in heaven or hell.

That other cross. There are two paths: rejection or acceptance. The broad way to death: the second death or the strait and narrow path to heaven. That other cross— we are there to choose: acceptance or rejection.

Donald D. Dibbens

## Remember Me?

The other day, as I was waiting for my car to be tuned, a framed message, entitled "Remember Me?," caught my attention; "I'm the fellow who goes into a restaurant, sits down and patiently waits while the waitresses do everything but take my order. I'm the fellow who goes into the department store and stands quietly while the sales clerks finish their little chit-chat. I'm the fellow who drives into a gasoline service station and never blows his horn, but waits patiently while the attendant finishes reading his comic book.

"Yes, you might say I'm a good guy. But do you know who else I am? I'm the fellow who does not come back. It amuses me to see you spending thousands of dollars every year to get me back into your store, when I was there in the first place, and all you had to do to keep me was give me a little service, show me a little courtesy."

My first thought was, I wish those who serve the public would read that and take it to heart!" But then a second thought hit me. In the church we are supposed to serve mankind; is it possible that we need the same message? And on the spot I wrote a few more lines:

"I'm the fellow who comes into your church building and stands at the back, looking for a place to sit with no one asking to help. I'm the fellow who crawls over three members seated on the end of the pew, who will not move down. I'm the fellow who makes his way quietly to the exit at the close of the service, passing members enjoying their visits with each other. I'm the fellow who leaves with no word of complaint. I'm the fellow who will never come back."

"Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares" (Hebrews 13:2). Christianity is a practical religion, affecting how we conduct ourselves everywhere all the time.

—Pulpit Helps



# CELEBRATING 50TH ANNIVERSARY

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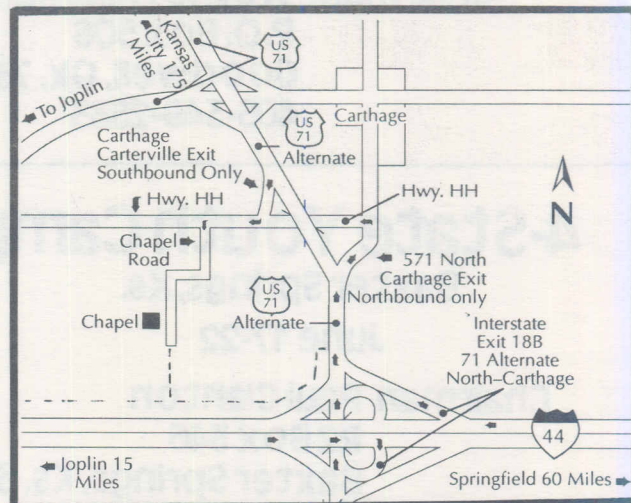
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# SUMMER SCHEDULES

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**WEDNESDAY:**  
7:30 Final Concert  
**THURSDAY:**  
10:00 Ordination Service  
1:00 Advisory Board Meeting  
7:30 Graduation

**FRIDAY:**  
9:00 General Meeting  
12:00 Alumni Picnic  
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