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In Memory



Mr. Otis Wade

CHRISTMAS

Christmas.' What is my offering to give? How am I to inform the world that the Christ that I serve is the very heart and thought of Christmas. He is the Son of man, the Son of God, the offering from the foundation of the world. Rev. 13:8. I am thinking of Him to-night as the perfect gift sent down from above. John 8:23. Indeed He is the author and the finisher of our faith. Heb. 12:2.

He seems so far away from me to-night, that is in earthly measurements, it is so far to the nation, the town and the manger of His acceptance it is so far away in time also. Think of the kings that have come and gone, think of the nations that have risen and fallen, and the events that have made and fostered generations, yet He remains the same, My Christ, Lord and Saviour. We read of Herod and Pilate and Caiaphas. Dead men almost forgotten whose fame molded with their day. Even the Ceasars were brief, and their country short lived when we think of Jesus the Eternal.

The birth of Jesus changed the life of whatsoever will. Isaiah spoke of this great event by saying, Unto us a child is born. Isa. 9:6-7. I want to dwell longer on this as a base scripture, but first let me refer you to I John 4:9. In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. In Him I am now living this very Christmas.

Isa. 9:5-7 reads:

For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

Jesus Christ is not an idea of some fancy or dreamer. He is not a man made dream, nor a plot that might unfold in some story book. Jesus is a reality. Jesus is the Son of God, moving into hearts by faith with full assurance. Perhaps there are many that enjoy Christmas with out any serious thought of its meaning or worshipful observance, but to me the staff of life is in His hand and His day is set aside in my heart gladly and tenderly.

Why should He not be called Wonderful, why should He not be recognized as the Head of all government. Some day He is going to be known as King of Kings and Lord of Lords and none shall say, Know ye the Lord, for all shall know Him from the least to the greatest, and the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. Why are you a stranger to Him? Why do you not walk softly and correctly before Him. He is counsellor to the kings and wise, to the poor and unlearned, to the young and to the old. The almighty God, Saviour, Father to all that will call upon His Name. The gift that was honored by shepherds, wise men and angels. Who am I to question His Divinity or to doubt any prophecy or any part of His Word? Life would seem strange without Him, dim, spiritless, aimless, and meaningless. There is no lasting profit with out Him, no goal of eternal worth.

Another title given to the Saviour was Prince of Peace. A world so troubled tonight, so shaken by hate and selfishness and strife and war needs Jesus. They need Him to come into their hearts and speak the word of peace, without which no man has peace.

Let us lay aside all thought of animosity and give full attention to peace, peace that flows like a river, that reaches out to our loved ones, to the household of faith and on to the unknown and the unlovable. All are the work of His hands and the off spring of His creation. Peace in my heart may not right

the world, but it will free me of the guilt of the world and give me a brighter Christmas.

And the Angel said unto them, Be not afraid for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people.

Of course we know that message, so real to the shepherds of the past, is just as sharp in its appeal when we become willing to listen to the still small voice of the Lord. Be not afraid of the destroyer of the flesh; be not afraid of the follower of man made self devised plans; but ever follow that which is good and the good tidings of great joy will flow over your soul and give you a flash of eternity in all of its glory. This message of victory was for all people, and the power thereof for all time. This Christmas can be just as bright and have just as much worship as any other when the heart cries out to Jesus.

Here again we come to the message of peace, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men. If for Him we keep Christmas and for Him we seek peace, we cannot be far from the kingdom of God. I am so thankful to God that I am living in a land where the Christmas lights are flashing, where the Christmas Carols are heard, where the story is told anew, and where in poem we may say, Everywhere, everywhere Christmas to-night.

If someone were to pay you ten cents for every kind word you ever spoke about people, and charge you five cents for every unkind word, would you owe him, or would he owe you?

GEM OF TRUTH

"Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit shall remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you."
John 15:16.

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How shall I add any thing more
to all the good things that have been
said about Christmas? I know that
this is a season when many hearts
are glad. I know too that some are
feeling the fault of our old world.
Cold and bitter and disturbed they
wonder what is next for all of us.
Yet I cannot find it in my heart to
doubt God, nor to quit praising
Him for all His goodness to the
children of men.

Thank you all for every favor
that has kept the Apostolic Faith
Report coming to you. Pray for us
that the work of the Lord may
abound in 1967. We wish you all a
very Merry Christmas and a Happy
New Year, with the Blessings of the
Lord added all along the way.

GAIL SCHULTZ AND FAMILY



This time of the year is a joyous
time for all of us. Yet have we
forgotten the reason Christmas is
celebrated each year? Have we
given the guest of honor His gift?
Many times He, the honored one,
becomes lost under the tinsel and
wrappings of the season, beneath
the business of our shopping and
selfish purposes.

Many people today won't even take
time to spell the word, Christmas,
but use Xmas. In Algebra the X
stands for the unknown. Is Christ
unknown to you personally? Is He
just someone about whom you have
read or heard stories, or has He be-
come a real person to you? Let us
put Christ back in Christmas and
give the gift to Him which he de-
sires most, our lives.

Let us not forget the work and
support of the Report in this busy
time of the year. We appreciate
those of you that are faithful to the
Lord's work and are concerned that
it doesn't go begging.

We would like to thank each of
you that have supported the Report
and those churches which send in
their monthly offering. May the
Lord richly bless each of you and
may we all work together to see the
work of the Lord progress and
souls born into the kingdom of God.

May we say a BIG Merry Christ-
mas to all of our friends of the
Report. The Lord bless each of you
and guide your lives in the year to
come.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Whiteley,
editors

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BIBLE SCHOOL NOTES

MESDEMOISELLES' HOUSE NOTES

Peggy Yeakel

We are fastly approaching the closing of Bible School and our life here in the girl's dorm will soon be ended. Everyone will be hurrying off to their sepearte places taking with them the memories they have of the good times at Bible School.

Of course, no one will ever forget the "Up-up-up" call at 6:45 a. m. every morning or the "lights out" call at 10:30 (hopefully) every night. But what happened in between these two times is what will linger with us.

Like the time we had a surprise birthday party for Linda and almost everybody in the whole dorm was sung a "happy birthday" because we didn't want to leave anyone out. Or the night of Halloween when somehow every pair of shoes in the dorm had a missing mate . . . and on top of that several of the beds were shortsheeted. Needless to say, every prankster got "his" or "her" reward. Then too, there was the fun of the "secret sister" Christmas party, especially when we found out who didn't know how to sing "I'll Have A Blue Christmas". Cody livened up the refreshments with a few poems and various other exhortations.

There have been many times that we've had such good times that

we've had such good times doing nothing but talking and studying (mostly talking). Life in the dorm has been an experience we'll not soon forget. All the little individual memories will always have a place in our hearts.

We can look back now and see how much the Lord has been with us and blessed us all during school. We've had such wonderful services and such wonderful classes. Everyday has brought new knowledge and enlightenment that will be so helpful to us in our life and service for the Lord.

Coming to Bible School and living with all the wonderful Christian girls has really strengthened my life personally. These past three months have passed so quickly because our lives have been filled with so many happy moments and new experiences in the Lord. All of the girls agree that coming to Bible School was certainly a worthwhile thing to do.

As we leave we feel confident that the Lord will lead and direct our lives. We realize that Bible School has been such a great help to each of us. We would appreciate your prayers as we endeavor to use this knowledge and strength that we've gained in Bible School in the service of our Lord.

Minister's Meeting

Thursday, December 8, at 3:15 P. M. the annual Minister's Meeting was held at the Apostolic Faith Bible School, Baxter Springs, Kansas.

Rev. Doyle Wiles was elected for another term on the Bible School Board.

The Board of Trustees announced that Rev. and Mrs. Paul Clanton will continue as Superintendents of the School and Rev. and Mrs. Howard Whiteley will serve another year

as editors of the Apostolic Faith Report.

Plans were discussed to install a bathroom in the Bible School Cook's apartment. This is needed very much and it is hoped that funds will be available for this project to be completed before the beginning of next year's school.

Girl's Dorm

As soon as sufficient funds are available work will begin on the new

MESSIEURS REPORT—

Delvin D. Wiles

The 1966 Bible School term is fastly drawing to a close. Everyone in the boy's dorm agree that the last three months have not been spent in vain, but are possibly the most valuable three months of their life. We have had our fun and recreation, but have also feasted at the Master's table and received blessings beyond compare.

During this term of Bible School we have certainly felt the presence of the Lord abiding with in our midst. Many have realized their need before the Throne of God and have drawn closer to Him. The blessings gained here cannot be measured by wealth and possessions but what we do for Christ.

As we go from Bible School our Knowledge and faith in God will be put to a test by the temptations and works of the Devil. The Bible School teachers and instructors have done their part, it will be up to us to rely on the help and guiding hand of the Lord.

The world seeks after the "Lust of the Flesh, lust of the eyes and the pride of the life." I John 2:16.

People of the world have no hope or goal for the future. We find that a life through Christ has a reward of eternal life. (Romans 6:23)

dorm for the girls. This is a Much Needed building and the land has been donated.

All of us need to feel our responsibility for this fund. In making your donation please mark it "For Girl's Dorm Fund," and mail to:

Apostolic Faith Bible School
Box 110
Baxter Springs, Kansas

We, as your representatives, appreciate the way you have cooperated with us in the past and all the help which you've given to make the school a possibility.

APOSTOLIC FAITH
BIBLE SCHOOL

OBITUARIES

OTIS WADE

Otis Wade, 1700 Joplin Street, Galena, Kansas, passed from this life Saturday, November 26, 1966, at the age of 78.

Mr Wade was born in Cherokee County, Kansas, January 31, 1888, and had lived all his life in the Galena area. He was married on March 1, 1914, to Anna Martin.

Converted while a young man, Mr. Wade served as a member of the Galena Apostolic Faith Church board since 1925. With great faith he served God with all his ability, being faithful to the church with his attendance, support, and prayer.

He served on the committee for selection of the site for the Apostolic Faith Bible School which is located at Baxter Springs, Kansas; and then served on the Board of Trustees from 1945 to 1962.

Work on the 4-State Youth Camp, located near Baxter Springs, in 1958 was begun with money donated by Bro. Wade. Besides serving on the Board of Trustees from 1958 until his death, he spent many hours in labor with other area men making it possible for the Youth of this area to fellowship together while studying God's Word.

Bro. Wade will be greatly missed by a host of relatives and friends. He has faithfully fought his fight and won the victory and is awaiting his crown of righteousness which the Lord has prepared for him.

Survivors besides his widow, Anna Wade, are: one foster son, Gene Wade of Columbus, Kansas; one brother, Sam Wade of near Riverton, Kansas; a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:00 o'clock Tuesday afternoon November 29, 1966, in the Galena Apostolic Faith Church with Rev. M. D. Methvin and Rev. Howard Whiteley officiating. Rev. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon sang, "Beyond the Sunset", and "My Home Sweet Home".

Rev. Jack Cornell, Rev. Ted Barker, Rev. Edwin Modrick, and Rev. Harrol Waterbury sang "De ar

Jesus Abide With Me". Mrs. Howard Whiteley was organist.

Pallbearers were Rev. Ted Jackson, Glen Smith, John Rogers, Herbert Toppings, Rev. C. O. Bard, and Bill Hollis.

Honorary pallbearers were the Reverends E. K. Cornell, Ben Barker, Olen Bachler, Gail Schultz, Jack Barker, Alford Whiteley, Roy Wooster, and Joe DeWees.

Mr. Wade was laid to rest in the Hill Crest Cemetery at Galena, Kansas.

MRS. JEANELLE WILLIAMS

Mrs. Jeanelle Williams, 42, passed away November 23, 1966, in the Kansas University Medical Center in Kansas City, Kansas, after an illness of one year.

Born June 11, 1924, in Columbus, Kansas, Mrs. Williams moved to Galena in 1947. She has been a faithful member of the Apostolic Faith Church since she was saved in her youth in the Joplin, Missouri Church. Mrs. Williams was married July 13, 1941, in Neosho, Missouri, to Mervin Williams who survives.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Larry Williams, of Baxter Springs, Kansas; a daughter, Miss Linda Williams of the home; her mother, Mrs. Esther Soutar, of Joplin, Missouri; one brother, Bill L. Dunkin, of Joplin, Missouri, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p. m. Sunday, November 27, in the Galena Apostolic Faith Church with Rev. Howard Whiteley and Rev. Harry Shallenburger officiating. Burial was in the Lowell cemetery. Music was furnished by Misses Sandra Bachler, Judy Wooster, and Carolyn Quesenbury with Mrs. Howard Whiteley, organist.

Pallbearers were Bill Hollis, John Rogers, Wayne Collins, Ted Jackson, Ben Bailey, and Herbert Toppings.

As with Paul "she fought the fight, finished her course, and her crown of righteousness is awaiting. She will be greatly missed by the Galena Church people, her Sunday School children, and the many people in the city of Galena who looked to her for help in their spiritual needs.

Drop A Pebble In The Water

Drop a pebble in the water; just a splash, and it is gone;
But there's half-a-hundred ripples circling on and on and on,
Spreading, spreading from the center, flowing on out to the sea.
And there is no way of telling where the end will be.

Drop a pebble in the water: in a minute you forget,
But there's little waves a-flowing, and there's ripples circling yet
And those little waves a-flowing to a great big wave have grown.
You've disturbed a mighty river just by dropping in a stone.

Drop an unkind word, or careless: in a minute it is gone;
But there's half-a-hundred ripples circling on and on and on
They keep spreading, spreading from the center as they go,
And there is no way to stop them, once you've started them to flow.

Drop an unkind word, or careless: in a minute you forget;
But there's little waves a-flowing, and there's ripples circling yet,
And perhaps in some sad heart a mighty wave of tears in stirred,
And disturbed a life was happy ere you dropped that unkind word.

Drop a word of cheer and kindness: just a flash and it is gone;
But there's half-a-hundred ripples circling on and on and on,
Bearing hope and joy and comfort on each splashing, dashing wave
Till you wouldn't believe the volume of the kind word you gave.

Drop a word of cheer and kindness: in a minute you forget.
But there's gladness still a-swelling, and there's joy a-circling yet,
And there rolls a wave of comfort whose sweet music can be heard
Over miles and miles of water just by dropping one kind word.

The most glorious victory over an enemy is to turn him into a friend!

NEWS from the CHURCHES

PAMPA CHAPEL OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH, PAMPA, TEX.

The Thanksgiving season is upon us again, and we pause once more to give thanks for the many blessings which are ours, most of all for the great salvation which we have received.

We are planning a short Thanksgiving Revival which is to begin November 16th with Brother Otto Busch as evangelist. We hope to see some moves made for Christ in this effort. Pray for us.

We are also happy to be able to host the Preachers' Meeting for this district the latter part of this month. We anticipate having a good representation of ministers and board members at this meeting and hope that some of them will be encouraged to visit our services whenever it is convenient.

We will always be glad to welcome anyone from any of our Churches to visit us here at the Pampa Chapel.

Mrs. Paul Simmons, reporter
Amos Harris, Pastor

WESTMINSTER, COLO.—

We are quite encouraged in many ways with the church here. We are still trying to get all the red tape taken care of so that we can begin to build. Pray with us that the Lord will speed the process. We enjoyed having the Benny Byers family visit in our services recently. The Lord has blessed in our services and one lady has been reclaimed since we came.

Bob Taylor, pastor

HUDSON, WYOMING—

With the Thanksgiving season quickly approaching, we have so very much to be thankful for. God is still doing a marvelous work among our people here in Wyoming. Since the mailing of the last Report, we have had one saved, two healed, and one refilled with the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Certainly God is smiling on us with His loving favor.

All of us in Hudson would like to say that we appreciate the faithful work that goes into the Apostolic Faith Report. It is our only fellowship with the people of the Apostolic Faith and the mailing of the Report is a much looked forward to time.

Please continue to pray for our efforts here in Wyoming that God will continue to move and bless as in times past.

Paul F. Wilkerson, pastor

FOLLETT, TEXAS—

In recent weeks we have enjoyed having some visiting ministers in our church. A group from the Bible School was here some weeks ago and had our Sunday morning service with Bro. Dewey Flock bringing the message. This was a very good service and everyone enjoyed having them. Wednesday night the 9th of November we were glad to have Bro. Harold Bollinger of Oklahoma City with us. He brought a very inspiring message.

We feel the church is coming along real good. We are now planning a Revival for the month of January. Pray for us that God will send a real refreshing from Heaven.

Jack Cornell, Pastor

GALENA, KANS.—

We have enjoyed the blessings of the Lord in our midst. In our revival with Rev. and Mrs. Vester Clanton one man was saved and many other victories were won. The church was blessed and edified in many ways. Rev. and Mrs. E. K. Cornell were with us the first part of December for Sunday services. The Lord blessed with two outstanding services.

Deeply felt is the loss of Sis. Williams and Bro. Wade from our midst recently but how wonderful God is to uplift in such times. We're praying that with the passing of these workers from our midst that we who remain will work harder and fill in the gap which has been left.

Howard Whiteley, pastor

PERRYTON, TEXAS—

Rev. Bill Allen held a Revival for us in October. The Lord blessed each service. One was saved, and one sanctified. The ladies' group now has enough money in their fund to complete the basement. They also made three hanging lamps for the entrance way that will be hung soon. We are also hoping to buy new pews to fill out the auditorium and have the floors refinished in the near future. There has been a lot of sickness this fall but our attendance has held up nicely, in spite of it. Surely the Lord is good to us all.

Mrs. Bill Cornell, reporter
O. A. Busch, Pastor

MIDWAY COUNTRY CHURCH LOGAN, OKLAHOMA—

Our church was blessed by our

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CHURCH NEWS—

Revival Rev. and Mrs. Winston Barker held for us the first part of November. The sermons were uplifting and encouraging to the Christians. We enjoyed having the Barkers with us.

Plans are underway for our Christmas program. At this Thanksgiving time we are thankful for all the Lord has done for us from day to day. The Lord has been good to us all. It makes us to be thankful the year around.

Mrs. Deryl Lamunyon, reporter
Doyle Wiles, Pastor

WE NEED HELP

We are having service one night a week in the home of an elderly couple. Interest is being shown. Bro. and Sis. Kenneth Bright from Cave Springs are proving a great blessing by helping in these services.

Land has been purchased in Centerton, Arkansas, for the building of a new church. Now, we are in need of a minister to come and help in a Revival: One that would be interested in staying on as pastor and to help build the church. Ministers! Gospel Workers! Please pray about this and for more information contact Bro. Allen Long of Taneyville, Missouri, or write to us. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Townsend

Route 3, Box 25
Bentonville, Arkansas



May we say "thank you and God bless you" to our many friends for your prayers, cards of sympathy, and flowers sent to us during the loss of our loved one, Otis Wade. It has not been easy but God has uplifted us as you held us up in prayer during this time.

Mrs. Anna Wade

MY BIBLE AND I

We've traveled together, my Bible and I,
Through all kinds of weather, with smile or with sigh
In sorrow or sunshine, in tempest or calm;
Thy friendship unchanging my lamp and my psalm.

So now who shall part us, my Bible and I?
Shall "isms" or schisms or "new lights" who will try?
Shall shadow for substance, or stone for good bread?
Supplant thy sound wisdom give folly instead?

Ah! now, my dear Bible, exponent of light,
Thou sword of the Spirit, put error to flight;
And so through life's journey until my last sigh
We'll travel together, my Bible and I.

FILL-IN

The poet-clergyman, John Donne, who lived in the time of James I, has given a beautifully honest picture of the doings of a saint's mind:

"I throw myself down in my chamber and call in and invite God and His angels thither, and when they are there I neglect God and His angels for the noise of a fly, for the rattling of a coach, for the whining of a door.

I talk on in the same posture of praying, eyes lifted up, knees bowed down as though I prayed to God, and if God and His angels should ask me when I thought last of God in that prayer I cannot tell. Sometimes I find that I had forgot what I was about, but when I began to forget, I cannot tell.

A memory of yesterday's pleasures, a fear of tomorrow's dangers, a straw under my knee, a noise in mine ear, a light in mine eye, anything, a nothing, a fancy, a chimera in my brain troubles me in my prayer."

—Quoted by Robert Lynd, The Art of Letters

**WEDDING BELLS****BRYCE-SUTTON**

Nolene Bryce and Mr. Garry S. Sutton announce their marriage Thursday, the twenty-fourth of November Nineteen hundred and sixty-six in The Apostolic Faith Church in Snyder, Texas.

Garry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Sutton.

The young couple are at home at 2506 25th Street, in Snyder, Texas.

JOHNSTON-SCHARNHORST

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnston of 1305 Crann Ave., Chula Vista, California, announce the marriage of their daughter, Linda Faye, to Fred Eugene Scharnhorst of Spring Valley, California. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Scharnhorst, Sr.

She was given in marriage by Mr. Orville Booker, uncle of the groom. The matron of honor and best man were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scheller, sister and brother-in-law of the groom. The double ring ceremony was performed at the Little Chapel of the Flowers in Las Vegas, Nevada, November 19, 1966.

A reception was given by Mrs. Orville Booker and Sister Gladys Booker.

Attending from Spring Valley was Mrs. John Scharnhorst, Jr. Relatives of Las Vegas were also present.

A dog is a man's best friend because he wags his tail instead of his tongue.

Let Christ conquer WITHIN and you will conquer WITHOUT.



Crusaders for Christ

The Different Kinds Of Gossip

There are several different kinds of gossip, and each one may be typified by some member of the Animal creation.

First take the GOOSE. The goose gabbles and hisses, not because she is malicious, but because she has nothing better to do; and because she is a goose.

Next comes the MOSQUITO. The mosquito buzzes and bites not because he is vindictive, but because he is too small to do anything else. It is for the mosquito type of intellect that the newspapers of a certain type print gossipy articles about the actresses or the divorcee, telling the color of the shoes and stockings she wears, the way she has her eggs fried for breakfast, or of the kind of poodle she prefers.

Then comes the OLD HEN type of gossip. The hen ruffles her feathers and pecks at anything that may come along, not on account of any innate blood thirstiness, but merely because she feels cross, and on general principles.

Next we have the BUZZARD. He circles around any place in which he hopes or imagines there may be something rotten.

Last comes the SNAKE. He coils himself out of sight in the grass and lies in wait that he may suddenly strike some passer-by and fill his system with the poison that is natural in a snake's fang.

Of course, if one deliberately chooses, he has a perfect right to act the goose, or to be a mosquito, an old hen, a buzzard, or a snake. There is no way in the world to prevent the goose from gabbling, the mosquito from buzzing, or the rest of the animals from acting out their nature.

Still there are drawbacks. The goose must not complain if she is considered a goose. The mosquito must expect to be slapped at, and finally to be swatted. The old hen will not find a welcome in polite society. The buzzard can never hope to rank as a gentleman. The snake must not be surprised if sometimes a heel is placed upon his head.

The next time when in the course of a gossipy conversation, you have gone so far as to say an unkind thing about some, stop for a moment and classify your remark. Was it the gabble of the goose, the buzz of the mosquito, the pecking of the old hen, the belching of a buzzard, or the striking of a snake in the grass?

One of these it is bound to have been. Perhaps if you can decide which one, it may help you to be more considerate next time.

O God, glorify Thyself at my expense, and send me the bill—anything, Lord, I set no price!

The glow of a candle is not diminished when used to light another; it only multiplies the light!

The Real Delinquents

We read in the papers,
We hear on the air
Of killing and stealing
And crime every where.
We sigh and we say
As we notice the trend.
"This young generation!
Where will it all end?"
But can we be sure
That it's their fault alone—
That maybe most of it
Isn't really our own?
Too much money to spend,
Too much idle time,
Too many movies
Of passion and crime;
Too many books
Not fit to be read,
Too much of evil
In what they hear said;
Too many children
Encouraged to roam
By too many parents
Who don't stay at home.
Kids don't make the movies;
They don't write the books
That paint a gay picture
Of gangsters and crooks.
They don't make the liquor,
They don't run the bars,
They don't pass the laws,
And they don't drive the cars.
They don't make the drugs
That addle the brain;
It's all done by older folks
Greedy for gain.
Thus in too many cases.
It must be confessed
The label "delinquent"
Fits older folks best.

—Author Unknown.

Children's Hour . . .

— Kathryn Cornell



WHOSE BIRTHDAY

Two days came every year to make Joey excited. He liked them especially because he got presents. One was his birthday and the other was Christmas.

On his birthday Mom always made their dinner into a party for him, with birthday cake and everything. Right after dessert he would open all of his presents. That was fun, but next month he would be nine years old and he wished he could have a real party so he could invite all of his friends. Then he would get more presents.

But now Christmas was only four days away. He could hardly wait to see what he was going to get.

Maybe he would get a scout knife—or some real carpenter tools—or just possibly, maybe—that coaster wagon in Johnson's window. He had surely been dropping enough hints to Mom and Dad and his older sister Sue. Of course, he knew they didn't have much money, but maybe they would stretch it a bit—for him.

It was a very warm sunny, lazy afternoon—even for Southern Mississippi. Feeling rather lazy, like the weather, even though he was excited, Joey sat down under a tree in his yard and dreamed and planned about all the things he hoped he would get.

Soon he was fast asleep and really dreaming. He dreamed he had just finished trimming the Christmas tree when he heard his mother calling. "Hurry up and get washed. It's time for your birthday

party."

Joey was so interested in presents even in his dream that it didn't seem strange to have his birthday party before Christmas. He ran to get cleaned up. For once he didn't mind having his ears washed! He was going to have a real birthday party.

With his Sunday-best clothes on and his face gleaming with its recent scrubbing, he ran to peek out the front window. Sure enough, there were some children already coming. And—yes—they had packages under their arms!

As he opened the door to let his guests in, he tried not to show that he was almost bursting with excitement.

"C'mon in," he shouted. "C'mon in, Y'all—and—ah—just put your packages there under the Christmas tree."

All during the games and the refreshments he could hardly keep his eyes from the pile of gifts. There were big packages, small ones, long ones, floppy ones, tissue paper ones. He just couldn't wait.

But at last his mother was saying, "It's time to open the presents."

Now it was coming! Wouldn't he be a happy, happy boy with all those gifts.

But wait—something was wrong. Oh, no, it couldn't be happening. But it was. No, no, no! The children were giving the presents to one another!

"Here's a top for you Eddie." "Here's a pretty hanky

for you, Sue Ann." "Oh, thank you, June Pearl and here's a comb for you."

Joey stood petrified. He tried to open his mouth to stop them but no words would come.

When the last present had been exchanged, the children trooped out the door, leaving only a pile of string and wrapping paper "Good-bye, goodbye," they called cheerily, "we sure enjoyed your birthday party."

Then all that inside hurt, that letdown feeling burst forth. "It's not fair, it's not, it's not. You're mean, all of you. Whose birthday do you think this is, anyhow?"

"Joey, Joey, wake up." It was his mother shaking him. "Whatever are you dreaming about,"

Between little sniffles and sobs Joey told her about his dream.

She was quiet a moment. Then: "Joey," she said softly, "Whose birthday is Christmas?"

"Why—why, it's Jesus' birthday, "Thanks." "And here's a knife for

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Birthday Calendar

DECEMBER

2	JUDIE KECK
7	SHAWN NEFF
11	TONYA CORNELL
17	DAVID STUMP
18	RONNIE WATERBURY
23	SHERRY MILLIGAN
24	KRISTI BALDWIN
25	ERIC CAMPBELL
25	JOHN POOL
28	STEVE BOLLINGER

WHOSE BIRTHDAY

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of course. Why?"

"But," she went on, "you've been concerned only about presents for yourself. Who should be getting presents?"

Joey's eyes opened wide. "Why Jesus should." He bit his lip and spoke in a little voice. "I never thought of it like that before."

"No, I'm afraid most people don't. I think we are very careless—and selfish—about the way we 'celebrate' Christmas, don't you?"

"Yes answered Joey. "I guess Jesus often feels like asking like I did in my dream: 'Whose birthday is this, anyhow?' don't you suppose? But, say," he continued seriously "How can we give presents to Jesus?"

"Oh that is easy," replied his mother. "First we must accept His gift. 'The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord' (Romans 6:23). Then, after that, God wants us to give ourselves to Him. 'Present your bodies a living sacrifice' " (Romans 12:1.)

She went on: "You accepted God's gift of salvation two years ago, Joey, when you asked God to forgive your sins for Jesus' sake and come into your hearts. But have you ever given God the gift He wants?"

Joey stood silent. He just didn't know what to say. His mother waited a moment and then turned toward the house.

Joey followed her into the living room. He had a feeling she knew this was a big thing he had to think over and decide for himself. He looked at the Christmas tree. He thought about all the gifts he was hoping to see piled up under it. And he thought about Jesus being God's gift to him.

A big smile burst over his face. "I'm going to give Him me right now. I'll even go across the ocean to be a missionary if He wants me to. And say, Mom," he went on breathlessly, "this Christmas let's take some of our 'each-other' present money and give it to missions so others can get God's present of salvation. Let's make this a real Christmas!"

THE DIARY OF A BIBLE

Jan. 15 . . . All this week I have been resting. In the days following New Year my owner Mary read me regularly, but now she seems to have forgotten all about her resolution to read me daily.

Feb. 2 . . . General housecleaning. With other books I have banged together and dusted off, and then laid back in place.

Feb. 6. . . . Mary used me for a minute after breakfast to look up several verses she needed: and afterwards took me along to Sunday School.

March 8 . . . Another cleaning, banged, dusted, and put back as usual. I needed this, as I have been lying on the floor since my trip to Sunday School.

April 3. . . A busy day for me. Mary had to teach at Sunday School and lead **young people's** meeting in the evening. So I was searched through carefully. It took her a long while to find some books and verses, although they were all in the same old place.

May 5 . . . All afternoon I lay on Grandmother's knee, who is here on a visit. As she read me, tears fell on my great resurrection chapter, known as I Cor. 15.

May 6 . . . Grandma is reading me again, and still dwelling on that love chapter I Cor. 13.

May 7 . . . Every morning I rest in Grandmother's hands, which gives me great pleasure. When she stops reading, she speaks about me to God.

May 10 . . . Grandma has gone back to her home. I know I shall miss her loving touch. She kissed me before she left; and I wish I might have gone with her.

June 3 . . . Still in my old place, but today a flower was pressed between my pages.

July 1 . . . Packed in a trunk with clothes and other articles, and we are off on a vacation journey.

July 10 . . . Still in the trunk although most everything else has been taken out.

July 15 . . . Back home again, in my old place, it was a long journey and I cannot understand why I was taken along.

August 1 . . . Very hot and little

air. Two papers, a novel, and a hat were laid on me, and I wish someone would take them away.

Sept. 10 . . . Mary used me for a few minutes today. She was writing to a friend whose brother had died, and looked up an appropriate verse.

DOES THIS DESCRIBE
YOUR BIBLE ? ? ?

Emblems Of The Holy Spirit

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FIRE

It represents the zeal and the refining power of the Holy Spirit. Luke 3:16. "John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water: . . . he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire."

Acts 2:1-4. "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, . . . there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost . . ."

DOVE

Gentleness and comforting power.

Luke 3:21-22. "Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape like a dove upon him,

John 1, 32. "And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him."

WATER

Life-giving and infinite power.

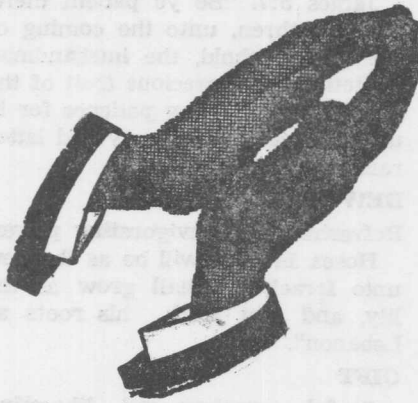
John 7:37-39. "In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. He that believeth on me, as the Scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified').

WIND

Resurrection power.

John 3:8. "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the

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TEACHING ADULTS

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Introduction:

Definition of "adult":
Why teach adults?

- I. What is the task of the Church in in Adult Education?
 - A. To convince adults of their ability to learn
 - B. To provide a desire to study
 - C. To provide adequate educative situations
 - D. To attempt to coordinate interests and needs
 - E. To provide social and fellowship activities
 - F. To build Christian homes and integrate them with the church
- II. What are some Hinderances to Adult Education?
 - A. A lack of interest
 - B. Faulty early education
 - C. Failure to understand needs
 - D. Sin
 - E. Inadequate teaching
 - F. Poor Sunday school organization
- III. What is the Best Way to Group Adults in the Sunday School?
 - A. There is probably no "best" way since local factors play such an important role in the matter of grouping.
 - B. Some of the factors must be considered in grouping are:
 1. The tradition of the church
 2. Size of the school and department (number of persons)
 3. Abundance and quality of teachers
 4. Types of curricula used
 5. Classroom space

6. Other groups presently functioning in the church
- C. Various ways of grouping adults in the Sunday School
 1. Age
 2. Fellowship or interests
 3. Subject matter (elective system)
 4. Sex divisions

IV What are some Common Problems in Adult Education?

- A. Too often we emphasize that Sunday school is for children almost omitting its importance to adults.
 - B. Adult classes are often too big.
 - C. Adult teachers are often poorly trained and most "uncreative"
 - D. Too little attention given to fellowship activities and socials
 - E. The evangelistic value of the Sunday school is often overlooked in the adult class.
 - F. Much time is wasted in the opening exercises
 - G. Adult rooms and facilities are often far from adequate
 - H. Too much adult teaching is purposeless
- V. What are some ways in which I can Improve my Teaching of adults?
- A. Correct the problems listed under IV.
 - B. Utilize methods suitable for adult teaching.
 1. Lecture
 2. Discussion
 3. Question and Answer
 4. Brainstorming
 5. Testing
 6. Research
 7. Debates and Panels
 8. Audio-Visuals
 - C. Emphasize the importance of

Teacher's Notebook

every Christian a teacher. Show your adults how to learn.

D. Develop yourself into an "inspirator" and "motivator" instead of just a lecturer.

E. Put strong emphasis on the Christian home.

How Others Do It

A child loves to see His name in front. To encourage Bible Memory Work, we have all the pupils names listed on a chalkboard. As a child repeats the memory verse, he is given the privilege of erasing his name from the list. Have an honor roll list of pupils who have their memory work up to date. Have a special name poster listing pupils who have perfect attendance for the quarter.

ADDRESSOGRAPH FUND

At the minister's Meeting held December 8, those present voted unanimously to buy a new addressograph machine for the mailing of the Apostolic Faith Report. The present machine is very old and is beginning to need repair.

It was voted for each church to set one Sunday aside in the month of February for a special offering to pay for this machine. The new one will be electric and fully automatic which requires only one person to address the papers which now requires 2 people 3 to 4 hours to complete the job.

Any individual desiring to make a donation for this machine may do so. Please mark your contribution for such as all other money will be put in the paper fund for the cost of printing the paper each month.

Emblems Of Holy Spirit

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sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit."

Ezekiel 37:9. "Then said he unto me, Prophesy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say unto the wind, Thus saith the Lord God; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live."

Acts 2:2. "And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting".

OIL

Consecrating and anointing power.

Isaiah 61:1-3. "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me.. because the Lord hath anointed me . . . that he might be glorified".

Psalms 45:7; Hebrews 1:9. "Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows".

SEAL

Redemptive and keeping power. Ephesians 1:13. ". . . . ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise". Eph. 4:30. "And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption".

EARNEST

Ownership and guarantee power. 2 Corinthians 1:22. "Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts".

Ephesians 1:13,14. ". ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption".

RAIN

Life giving and quickening power.

Hosea 6:3. "Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: His going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and the former rain unto the earth".

Zachariah 10:1. "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain; so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to everyone grass in the field".

James 5:7. "Be ye patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain".

DEW

Refreshing and invigorating power.

Hosea 14:5. "I will be as the dew unto Israel; he shall grow as the lily, and cast forth his roots as Lebanon".

GIFT

Joyful, gracious and liberating power.

Acts 2:38,39. "Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

God has promised forgiveness to your repentance, but He has not promised tomorrow to your procrastination!

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