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The Statues of the Lord
are right, rejoicing the
heart: the commandment of
the Lord is pure,
enlightening the eyes.

Psalms 19:8

Every word of God is
pure: he is a shield unto
them that put their trust in
him.

Proverbs 30:5

Search the Scriptures; for
in them ye think ye have
eternal life: and they are
they which testify of me.

John 5:39

Study to shew thyself
approved unto God, a
workman that needeth not
to be ashamed, rightly
dividing the word of truth.

II Tim. 2:15

From the Superintendent's Desk



Greetings in the wonderful name of Jesus. By the time you read this, we will have been in school for several weeks.

The school opened with the sweet Spirit of the Lord present. All of the faculty has a burden for the students and all the needs of the school. Those on the faculty are: M.D. and Juanita Methvin; Lyndel and Kathy Arnall; Danny and Ramona Robinson; Walker and Edna Freeman; Paul Clanton; Bev Karber; James and Lynn Brown; Elmer Christenson; Wanda Allgood; and Donnie Methvin.

I believe the Apostolic Faith Movement can be very proud of these dedicated Christian people.

We have 28 students enrolled at this time and we expect several more to arrive soon.

It is our desire that God will give us a continuing revival throughout this year of school.

We are co-laborers together with God; we rejoice in the fact that all of you wonderful Christian people are helping us carry the burden. We appreciate your continued support and prayers for the Bible College.

God bless you and may His grace shine upon you.

Your Superintendent,
M.D. Methvin

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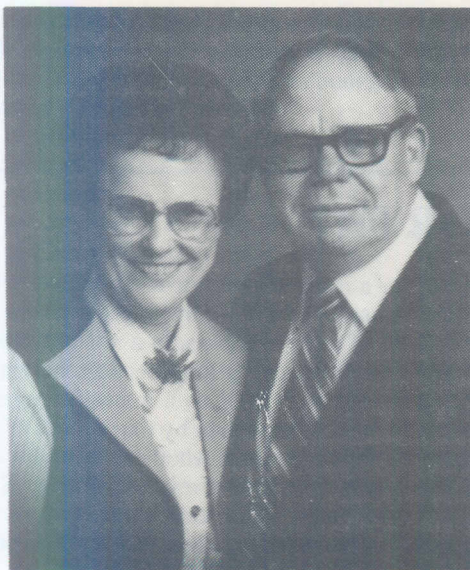
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OVER 40 YEARS

In 1943, I graduated from Hardesty High School. Soon after graduation I went to work for Panhandle Eastern Booster Station and worked there about 2 yrs. While working there I gave my heart to Jesus for the 2nd time. shortly after my return to the Lord, I began to have feelings that I didn't understand. As time went by, the Lord began to make it more clear that He wanted me to become more active in His service, so I answered His call, but knew so little about the Lord's work. I visited with Bro. F.P. Copeland, (who I later felt was my father in the Lord) about it and he encouraged as the first step to go to Dallas, to stamps Quartet, singing school (for he had heard me try to sing). 1945, Camp meeting, one afternoon service, called all the preachers and gospel workers to the platform. They were to give their name, type of calling and tell where you were going. Came my turn I said I am Lealand Grimmer, feel my call to go into His service and I don't know where I'm going. Joe Farris, asked me to go and help him in some revivals. At Christmas time, I went to Hardesty, Okla. and worked on the home church a few weeks. Christmas of 1945 was my first time to be away from home, at Baxter Springs, Ks waiting for Bible School to begin. 1946, Fred Peters asked me to go to Pontiac, Michigan to work in their church and help with a radio program. I stayed with them 4 months and came back to Baxter Springs, Ks for camp meeting. From there I helped George Clay in revivals. Later, F. P. Copeland asked me to go to Broken Arrow, Ok to help start a work. Jan. 1947, back to Bible school, Baxter Springs, Ks., after school went to Broken Arrow, Ok. Then I went with James (Jimmy) Aarons, to southeast part of Oklahoma for 2 revivals held in a 2 room schoolhouse and a brush arbor, back to Broken Arrow, Ok. Mitchell Modrick contacted me and asked me to go to Enid, Ok to help in a tent meeting. During the tent revival I met Edna Lee Hoodhue, she was raised in the Nazarene Church. Bro. Mitchell Moderick and



Maudie Modrick Tickle were the ones responsible for me to meet Edna Lee. After the tent meeting, Bro. Mitchell Modrick asked Lealand to help start a new work in Enid. June 11, 1950, Edna Lee Goodhue and Lealand Grimmer were united in marriage at 1908 North Washington, a lawn wedding, held at the bride's parents' home. It was performed by Mitchell Modrick. About a month later I helped Billy Sparks in a revival at Milano, Texas. Edna Lee was working at the Central National Bank. In 1952 we went to Doniphan, Mo., held a revival for Bro. and Sis. F. P. Copeland, Bro. Harold Jay Bollinger came and helped us. During that time Harold J. preached his first sermon. We appreciated him so much. After camp meeting in 1952 we went to Big Spring, Texas and worked with Bro. A. W. and Arel Ferguson. We worked with the young people and with music. In 1953 after camp meeting, we went to Roswell, New Mexico, and worked with Bro. Paul and Bonnie Clanton. After camp meeting in 1954 we went to Enid, Ok to pastor. In January 1956 we filled in at Arnett, Ok for Bro. Harold J. Bollinger while he went to Bible School to work. We left Arnett, Ok and went to Dumas, Texas to pastor. Bro. F. P. Copeland helped us move. In 1959 we moved to Sunray, Tx to pastor. After camp meeting time in 1962 we moved to Arnett, Ok to pastor. Camp meeting time in 1966 we moved to Balco, Ok and pastored the Gray Community Church through December 1979. In November 1979 we held a revival in Spearman, Tx and Savoy Grimmer helped us with the specials. Bro. Irwin Delk, board member of the Spearman Church, asked us to pray about coming to pastor the church. January 1980 we moved to Spearman, Tx to pastor up to the present time. We have three children, Debbie Jean Grimmer who lives in Perryton, Tx. teaching the first grade at Wright Elementary School. Rhonda Dale Grimmer Stollings is married to David Wayne Stollings and they have their own business called A T S Service. To this union they have 3 children: Jeremy David, Nathan David and Rachel Lee.

Lealand Savoy Grimmer is married to Karen Joan Pletcher and they are pastoring the Apostolic Faith Church, Dickinson, Tx. To this union they have 2 children; Kristen Elise, 5 years and Miranda Suzanne, 15 months. We have so much to be THANKFUL and GRATEFUL to the Lord for how He has met all our needs where ever we've been. We just praise His wonderful name.

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THE MORE ABUNDANT LIFE

John 10:10 "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." Romans 2:7 "To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life."

We are promised seventy years and if by reason of strength they might be eighty years; yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off and we fly away. Psm. 90:10.

Just to live eighty years is not the more abundant life. Many go to the grave before their sixtieth birthday. Just because we live there are troubles, sorrows, ill health, and bad luck as well as happiness, joy, good health and good fortune. So to live even sixty years is not the more abundant life.

There is no doubt, in my mind, that God wants us to have the best. There are two factors that prohibit this: the devil and ourselves. The devil is going to hinder us every way he can. He is against God and anyone that serves God.

We hinder ourselves by our choices; by our attitude; by our intemperance; and by our neglect.

The more abundant life has two facets. The more abundant life as pertains to this literal life and that pertains to the spiritual life. There is a literal and spiritual facet of life. God wants us to be in good health even as our soul prospers. Paul spoke of the outward man perishing yet the inward man is renewed day by day. Paul also wrote, "If in this life only we have hope in Christ we are of all men most miserable." I Cor. 15:19. Therefore to be fully rounded into abundant life we need literal good fortune and spiritual advancement. There is no way we can stand still spiritually. We are increasing or we are decreasing.

Our goal is glory and honour and immortality, eternal life. A good compliment of years and crowned with the spiritual blessings of God. Glory - not man's praise but the glory of God. The lasting glory of His - well done thou good and faithful servant. Honour - not the eulogy of man but the place God sees we fit best: whatever that may be. Immortality - Paul used this as the crowning achievement.

There is no higher place than to be changed, in a moment, from mortal to immortal. There may have been others but we have the Bible record of two: Enoch and Elijah. Enoch was not for God took him. Elijah was caught away in a chariot of fire. You will note that glory and honour and immortality - we'll receive eternal life. Let me here state clearly, it is possible to obtain glory and honour and eternal life and not qualify for immortality. Those at the final judgment will receive death or eternal life. Those receiving eternal life will live in the new earth where the tree of life will yield twelve manner of fruit. One for every month and the leaves were for the healing of the nations. Rev. 22:1-2.

Now back to immortality. Paul did not fully explain this. Immortality deals with the body. Perfect redemption for the body. Those who go through the grave will come forth incorruptible in the first resurrection. There is more than one resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection on such the second death has no power.

The final redemption is the same: immortal - incorruptible. The difference is how we get there. One goes through the grave: corruptible - incorruptible. The other is an immediate change from mortal to immortal.

It is appointed for man to die. Jesus made provision to escape this appointment. Enoch and Elijah did. The 144,000 spoken of in Revelations will as well as some others.

Man is mortal. Destined to return back to dirt. We are so accustomed to the perishing man that it is hard to fully comprehend immortality. The best explanation I can give of immortality is Jesus after the resurrection. He did not decay so he did not go through the corruptible process. He did die. So he became immortal. He looked like a normal human being: a literal man. He could appear at will. He could travel through space. He could go through closed doors. He could eat food - yet he did not need food to exist, and gravity had no effect on him. In short, he was flesh and spirit.

Placed within our grasp is the hope of immortality or incorruptibility. Let us patiently continue in well doing to obtain the more abundant life.

by Donald D. Dibbens

WHAT IS HE WORTH?

Not infrequently one hears the query, "Wonder what he is worth?" by which the questioner is asking how much money does he have, how much property, what is the size of his holdings. If a man has a large bank account, lives in a beautiful home in a restricted residential district, drives an expensive car, takes long and costly trips to the far reaches of the world, and in many similar ways evidences wealth, we think of him as being worth a lot. Actually he may be next to worthless. If he lacks character, integrity, and is devoid of spiritual life he isn't worth much to himself or to anyone else. If what he has he gained by dishonest practices and outright chicanery, what he has is ill-gotten, and he has

sold himself for a mess of pottage. Many a man who does not own the house in which he lives, seldom takes a trip, owns very little of anything, lives in a not-too-prosperous neighborhood, is worth everything because he has a sterling character, lives with God, is a man of integrity. The worth of a man is not determined by the amount of worldly possessions he has or has not, whether he travels or stays at home. His worth depends entirely on what he IS, his relationship to other men, and to God, what he does with his time, his abilities, and his opportunities. What he IS determines WHAT HE IS WORTH!

And they overcame him by the blood of the lamb, and by the word of their testimony

Rev. 12:11

I would like to leave my testimony to all the people who have prayed for me in recent weeks, I want to say thanks and God bless you for your help and concern. On Friday morning July 14, 1989, Edna Lee and I got up as usual and had our devotion the first thing and I felt fine, but at the end of breakfast time I began to feel a little dizzy. Although it was unusual, I thought little about it for I expected it to pass shortly. So I went into the room we use for den and study room, thinking things would clear up, so I sat in my easy chair as I usually do after breakfast. However, things got worse instead of better. The phone rang but I didn't answer it because I was too far out of reality to hear it and Edna Lee thought that was funny because the phone was right next to my chair. Then she called me to ask why I never answered it, but I never heard her call. By this time she decided something was wrong and she came into the room and called me again and I didn't answer. Next, she came to my chair to get me to wake up and I opened my eyes and she said they were glassy and set. She immediately put her arms around my head and plead the blood over me, then went for help. I tried to get up out of the chair, but couldn't move or talk. The neighbor lady (Sue Tindell) called the ambulance and came over to be with Edna Lee. The last I remember, was me sitting in my chair and the next I knew I was in the I.C.U. room of Ochiltree General Hospital, Perryton, Texas, 8 or 10 hours later. All the paramedics, doctors and nurses agreed that I had all the classic signs of someone having a stroke. However, sometime later that morning the Lord changed things around because someone or maybe several somebods prayed the prayer of faith for me. I am told that when I began to talk, I talked plain. I didn't know I was talking so I have no idea what I said. Later, when I was moved to I.C.U. and people started coming to see me, I would know them at once and call their name good and clear, but then I would lose reality. Bro. Jacob Regier and later Donald and Martha Dibbens came in and we had prayer together, but I wouldn't remember. The first person I saw that I remembered was Savoy, our son, and after that I could recall others after they came in and left. From that time on I began to improve rapidly. I got to the place they couldn't keep me down, so I was released and sent home while the hospital people wondered what had really happened. Later, I went to the hospital for 2 more tests, but nothing showed up as provable cause, so now I am convinced that God intervened, for which I do praise God from the bottom of my heart. Thanks again to all who prayed for me and God bless you for it. I have never questioned why this happened, as I've had many opportunities to witness for the Lord.

**Lealand Grimmer, Pastor
Spearman A.F. Church**



90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION HELD FOR REV. JOE B. DEWEES

Many friends and relatives gathered at the Hempstead Apostolic Faith Church the first Sunday afternoon in June for a Christian rally service to honor Rev. Joe B. Dewees for his ninetieth birthday.

Rev. Roland Busch of Katy, Texas was the master of ceremonies for this special occasion. Rev. Dewees' testimony was a highlight of the service as he recounted many personal experiences of his life and ministry. He has been preaching for almost sixty-four years.

Musical numbers including "Happy Birthday to You" were offered by a group of children under the direction of Joyce Buschman. John and Doris Scruggs sang, "Golden Stairway to Heaven". A solo, "I've Had a Vision of Jesus" was rendered by Mrs. Dona Tucker Barker of Katy, Texas. Mrs. Karen Mathis Hackett presented a number entitled "Home Is Where the Heart Is". Rev. Bennie Stanberry wrote and sang a song which he prepared especially for the Dewees family.

In accordance with a regular worship service, there were several choir numbers which were directed by Brent Blythe. At one point during the service, "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" was sung by the entire audience. Toward the end of the service all voices were blended to sing Bro. Dewees' favorite song, "Bringing In the Sheaves".

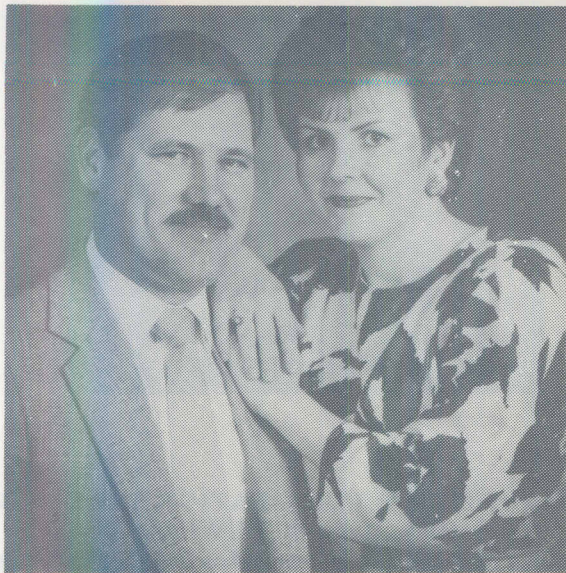
Rev. Edwin Waterbury, life-long friend and present pastor of the Alvin Church, offered prayer.

As was requested, Rev. Roland Busch read some scripture to make the service complete. He read from the book of Job and commented that Job's life of integrity toward God was also portrayed in the life of Bro. Joe B. Dewees. He included a statement that Bro. Dewees' prayer life was a fine example of Christianity.

The Mathis Quartette consisting of Elva Dean and Donald, Raymond and Bryant, sang "My Thanks to You".

The crowning feature of this celebration was the ordination of Bro. Joe B. Dewees' son, James, into the ministry of the gospel.

Refreshments of birthday cake and punch were served after the rally service to the many guests who came to wish Rev. Joe B. Dewees a happy ninetieth birthday.



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Academic Dean - Instructor

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Secretary to Superintendent



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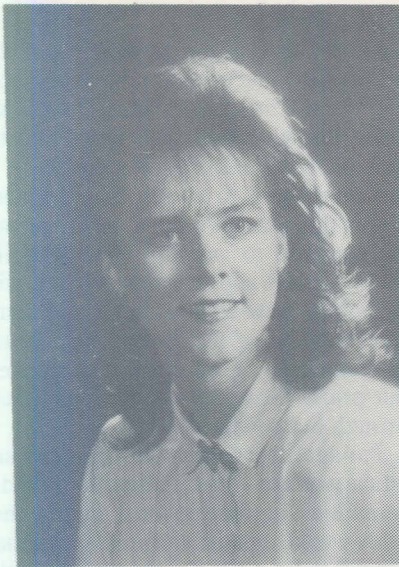
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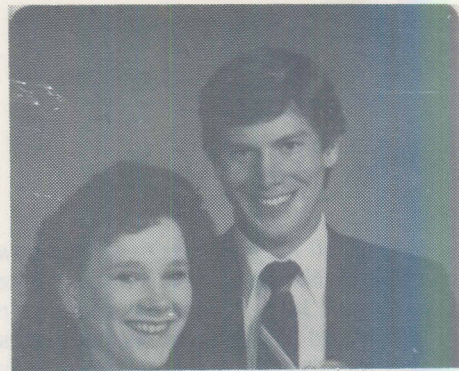
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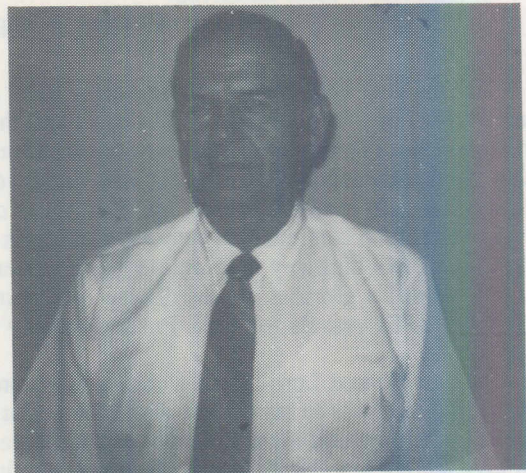
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Dean of Women



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Cook

Edna Freeman
Music Instructor



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Engineer



In the MAIL

SNYDER, TEXAS

Praise God for all his goodness to us. Our new pastors are Lee and Shirley Nelson and their three children. They have been here since July. Before they came we redid the parsonage. We would like to say a special thanks to Bro. Vester Clanton for all of his years of service as pastor. He celebrated his 92nd birthday on August 13th.

We have recently added to our board members to help carry on the work.

May God richly bless all of you.

Maggie Barnes - Reporter

GALENA, KANSAS

Praise the dear Lord because He is worthy of all praise. Isaiah 54:10. For the mountains shall depart and the hills be removed but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee. Yes, God takes care of His own. He alone can and will remove mountains as we travel along life's highway making our paths easier. And they will shine as glorious stones. These mountains and trails make us fit vessels for God. Praise His holy name. Isaiah 55:6-9.

Well, our blessed Lord is still working in a wonderful way sending in hearts to learn more about Him. Our attendance is improving and there is a sweet atmosphere and a great love among our church family. Our new sign in front of our church is beautiful and our new ramp helps those that are handicapped. We are still in the process of working inside our church and many other things for God.

We enjoyed attending Camp Meeting at Baxter Springs. Even though it was hot, God's people came out to worship him. When we see on TV the large crowds that attend different sports, no matter what the weather or the uncomfortable seats, they are happy and shout loud and clear. Why can't we as Christians stand up and be counted for our Lord. We have much better places to worship the Lord. It is time to make ourselves ready, for the coming of Jesus draw nigh.

We lost two of our ladies recently, Sis. Goldie Myers and Sis. Ruth Brown. Our sympathies go to their families. We have lost a great number of our older ones, but our younger ones are taking hold and working very hard.

Our prayers are with Bro. and Sis. M.D. Methvin in their new work at the Bible College. Bro. Tom and Sis. Connie are doing a wonderful job as pastors. It takes everybody, including our pastor, to make a beautiful church and that is what we have.

We welcome all our brothers and sisters to come by and worship with us at any time.

Tom Day - Pastor
May Rowland - Reporter

COLUMBUS, TEXAS

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God and who are called according to his purpose." We at Christian Gospel Church are holding to that promise knowing that God loves and that "there hath not failed one word of his good promise".

We were privileged to attend the camp meeting in Cowden, Illinois this year. We felt God's presence there as God's people gathered to worship Him. The Holy Spirit anointed the ministers and the altar service with several being saved, making new commitments and some praying through to the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The theme of the meeting seemed to be on spiritual warfare. Satan is powerful, but praise God, through the precious blood of Jesus and through the power of His Holy Spirit, we can be overcomers. I'm sure that every Christian can see that we are in a spiritual warfare - "not against flesh and blood but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." We need to be so dedicated to God and so full of His Holy Spirit that we can recognize these powers and be victorious over them.

We enjoyed a wonderful Vacation Bible School August 7-11 with over 40 children enrolled. There are so many children and young people who need God. He could spare them so much heartache and care if they will just live for him. I'm so glad that we are never too young or too old to serve Him.

I encourage you to, as the writer of Hebrews says, to lay aside every weight and sin and look to Jesus- just simply look to Jesus. If we look to man, he'll surely fail us but God never fails.

Vanessa Harris - Reporter

CAMP MEETING 1989

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GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Richardson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception Easter Sunday, March 26, at the Apostolic Faith Bible College Dining Hall, in Baxter Springs.

The reception was hosted by their three children: Dorothy Turner, Overland Park, Ks.; James Richardson, Columbia, Mo.; and Bev Karber of Joplin, Mo. The Richardsons have six grandchildren.

Floyd and Margaret were married March 26, 1939, in the bride's home west of Columbus, Ks.

They now reside at the same location as they did 50 years ago as newlyweds; 405 West 15th Street, Baxter Springs, Ks.

BIRTH

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arnall, Granby, Mo., announce the birth of their daughter, Courtney Elizabeth on May 7, 1989. She weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz. and was 20 in. long. She has two brothers, Chad, 8 yrs. and Adam, 4 1/2. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Adams, Quapaw, OK, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Arnall, Granby, MO. She also has a great grandmother, Mrs. Ruby Adams, Quapaw, OK.

THANK YOU

Brother and Sister Raymond Barker of Katy, Texas wish to express a sincere THANK YOU for the thoughtfulness of all those who planned, worked, and attended the "SPECIAL HOMECOMING" planned for them on Sunday, June 11, 1989 at the Lost Pines Camp, Warda, Texas.

The reception, presentation of a plaque, the Homecoming Service, and lovely dinner was enjoyable. Special thanks to Pastor Jimmy Wallis and wife LaVonda, Buddy and Doris Stanberry, Texanna Allen, Edwin and Patsy Waterbury, Larry and Betty Welsh, Tim and Polly Barker, as well as the Apostolic Faith Movement and Lost Pines Campers from 1961 to 1989.

We are happy a good Christian Group of people have taken over the Camp and Youth will have an opportunity to continue to receive Bible Training.

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OBITUARY

RONALD EARL MORGAN

Ronald Earl Morgan passed away July 14, 1989 at his home in League City, Texas, after suffering a heart attack. He was 46 years old on April 22, 1989.

He is survived by his wife, Tona, of the home, one daughter Laurie Morgan, Naples, Fla., three step-daughters Shannon, Lisa and April Mabry of the home; his parents Rev. and Mrs. Earl Morgan, Granby, Mo., three sisters Janell Castilow, Benna Stipp and Shirley Johnson, all of Granby, Mo., and 8 nieces and nephews.

Services were held Monday July 17th at the Jack Rowe Cathedral Chapel in League City, Tx. with Rev. Randy Langford and Rev. Edwin Waterbury officiating. He was laid to rest at Forest Park East Cemetery, League City, Tx.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Lyndel Arnall wishes to announce that he has made available to the public a "Prophecy Self Study Guide" book. This work book covers nine difference subjects: Introduction to Prophecy, Characteristics of This Age, The Times of the Gentiles, 20th Century Israel, Anti-Christ Reign, Matthew 24, Redemption, Millenium and Judgement. Each of these chapters are set up on a question/answer basis, using the scriptures as the answers. These books are being used in Bible Study groups and as Sunday School literature for adults. The price is \$12.50 per book, which is the printing cost charged by the publishers. When ordering, include the postage charge of \$1.25 per book. Thank You.

SPITIRUAL GROWTH FROM UPBRINGING FILLED WITH FAITH

By J. Rueben Davis

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness." II Tim. 3:16.

"For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost." II Pet. 1:21.

Having been raised in a Christian home where Jesus Christ was made real to me through the godly example of my parents, I find no difficulty in believing and accepting the authenticity of the Scriptures.

It was in the year 1900 that the Rev. Charles F. Parham opened a Bible School in Topeka, Kan., in what was known as the "old Stone Mansion." A number of missionaries and Christians from various denominations, who were desirous to learn more about the supernatural power of God, were among the student body.

After an in-depth study of the Scriptures, the group agreed that the physical evidence of having received the Holy Spirit, was the phenomenon known as "speaking in tongues" as the Holy Spirit gives the utterance.

On New Year's Eve 1901, as the expectant crowd awaited the entrance of the new century, God did not disappoint the seekers. He kept his promise as recorded in Acts 2:38, 39: "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."

Among those who received was a woman who spoke in the Chinese language for three days, also being able to write in the language. This was the beginning of a new era for the entire Christian world.

Before I was born, my father had received the experience of the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit with the accompanying sign, a God given language which he had never learned. Much of my early training was through the ministry of the teacher and prophet, the Rev. Charles F. Parham. I observed many miracles, signs and wonders, done in the name of Jesus. "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and today, and forever." Heb. 13:8.

While attending a tent meeting on Signal Hill in Long Beach, as a 14-year-old boy, I proceeded to start the car. As I gripped the crank, it kicked back, breaking both bones in my right arm. With excruciating pain, I rushed back into the tent. The elders offered prayer in my behalf. While I was praying in the spirit, both bones were set and completely and immediately healed. A Dr. Frenfrock, a medical doctor who saw my arm broken, verified my healing.

I would like to proclaim to every reader that "Jesus is alive." Without a doubt He is the son of God. He is at the right hand of God today. His love and compassion is extended to everyone who will receive him. The hurting, troubled, sick, afflicted or addicted, can find deliverance in Jesus Christ, who through his death and resurrection, has made it possible.

Our wonderful nation was founded on Biblical principles. We are a nation under God. In God we trust. Our nation has been a strong, safe wonderful place to live and to raise our children. Let us keep it that way by strong leadership and godly standards of morality.

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DEAR CHURCH MEMBER,

Don't wait until the hearse hauls you to church. If you do, you will go regardless of the weather. There will be beautiful flowers there, but you won't enjoy them. The preacher may say some good things about you, but you won't be able to hear them. There will be beautiful music, but you won't be enjoying it. There will be heartfelt prayers, but they will not touch your heart. There will be friends and relatives there, but you will not worship with them.

You will go, no matter how many hypocrites are there. You will go, no matter how much you are needed at home. You won't be concerned about whether you're dressed right.

After that final trip, you will never have to decide whether to attend church or not. You'll never get another chance. Aren't you glad to be alive and well, and have the choice of whether or not to go to church?

...Author Unknown

COUNTDOWN OR BUILDING UP?

Ten little church members came to worship all the time. One fell out with the pastor, and then there were nine.

Nine little members stayed up late. One overslept and then there were eight.

Eight church members on their way to heaven. One took the low road and then there were seven.

Seven church members all chirping like chicks. One didn't like the music, now there are six.

Six church members very much alive, but one got "travelitis;" this left five.

Five church members pulling for heaven's shore. One tired and got disgruntled, and this left four.

Four church members busy as can be; but one got his feelings hurt, and now there are three.

Three church members and the story's almost done, for two of them got weary and this left one.

Now everybody knows there's not much ONE can do, but one brought a friend last month and then there were two.

Two church members each won one more, Now don't you see: $2 + 2 = 4!$

Four church members worked early and late. Each one brought one, and now there are eight.

Have you got the message pointed and true? Come on, folks, we've got a job to do! For you see, these eight church members - if they double as before - in just seven weeks would have 1024!

In this little jingle there is a lesson true. You belong to one of the two - either the BUILDING or the WRECKING Crew!

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Super Camp '89

Nearly two years ago, Super Camp was just an idea that a few people had shared; a little over a month ago, that idea all came to life at Camp Arrowhead near Ft. Worth, TX. A total of 58 campers and 28 workers from 8 different states met together to study, pray, and fellowship. The Lord truly blessed the camp with GREAT classes, group discussions, evening services, prayer around the altars, and recreation time! (We even enjoyed our own camp TV Station - SCTV News, Channel 7).

Young people from every area of our movement met one another, exchanged T-shirts, expressed new and challenging ideas, and shared their testimonies in the beautiful surroundings of Camp Arrowhead, a camp operated by Bro. Keith Barker. We had the pleasure to see young people spend many hours around the altars where many lives were recommitted to the Lord, six campers received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and several souls were saved! Even the counselors and workers spent much time in prayer and saw many victories won. The camp was truly a great experience for all those who attended.

On behalf of the Committee and all the campers, we wish to thank all of you who spent time in prayer and gave financially to the camp. Because of you, we feel that Super Camp '89 was a real success. The following is a list of the camp's activities and those who were in charge:

7:00-Wake-up (well, at least what time it was scheduled!)
7:30-Morning Rally (Rev. Ron Seix, Liberal; skits, games, and fun)
7:50-Breakfast (great food)
8:20-Dorm clean-up (ha! ha! ha!)
8:30-Class (Barbara Waterbury, "Youth Conflicts" Jim Wallis, "Prayer")
9:30-Class (Jim Wallis, "Prayer" Janae Harris "Music Theory")
10:30-Class (Barbara Waterbury, "Youth Conflicts" Janae Harris "Music")
11:15-Choir (Janae Harris "Choir and Special Music")
12:00-Lunch (More great food!)
1:00-Rap Time (Camp Helpers conduct small group discussions)
1:40-Recreation & Free Time (Wayne Freeman had an Olympic Games)
5:30-Supper (Still More great food!)
7:30-Evening Service (Rev. Ron Martin, Canyon, GREAT MESSAGES!)
10:00-Video Reflections (Jim Wallis discussed videos on youth problems)
10:30-SCTV News (Joey Dollins, News; Wayne Freeman, Sports; Keith Barker, Weather)
11:00-Christian Films ("Without Reservations")

A footnote to the schedule is that on the final two evenings of camp, the schedule was moved back to past 11:-00 p.m. because campers prayed till that time!

And on the final evening of camp, the campers enjoyed a "formal" Dinner Banquet in which they were served in a "sit-down" style dinner by the camp helpers. It was a very fun time.

Also, one evening "film-time" was replaced by a promotional time of our Bible College. Former Supt.'s Ted Barker, Jack Cornell, and Ollie Kinser visited with the campers about the school, and the campers also viewed a slide show about AFBC. Many young people expressed interest in attending the school.

Camp was dismissed at noon on Friday, and campers said goodbye to their new friends with thoughts of seeing each other again at a possible Super Camp '91! They each exchanged a T-shirt with a camper from another part of the country with a promise to correspond with that person at least once.

SUPER CAMP '89

Super Camp 1989 was such a blessing. Many wonderful things happened in one short week. I met a lot of new friends and enjoyed a great time of fellowship with Christian young people from other parts of the country. The best part of Super Camp, however, was the spiritual growth. Along with several others, I received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. I just can't praise the Lord enough for allowing me to participate in Super Camp and it is my hope that there will be many more Super Camps.

**Travis Bard
Joplin, MO**

Super Camp 1989! This was such a great place to come and fellowship with other people from all over the U.S. As well as having a wonderful time, it was very spiritually uplifting, renewing your relationship with God. I am very much looking forward to the next Super Camp.

**Krista Howard
Laverne, OK**

This has been one of the most memorable weeks of camp I've ever been associated with. There was such a revival at Super Camp '89. Jesus Christ has shown His goodness and love at camp. The Holy Spirit poured out grace galore. I feel this has been the best camp ever. I'd like to thank the teachers, counselors, leaders and those who do all the "behind the scenes" work. I hope I carry what we gained and spread the fire throughout the movement. I thank everyone who helped through Super Camp '89. God bless all.

**Aaron Scott
Katy, TX**

The week at Super Camp '89 was fun and it was great being in fellowship with people my own age who were Christians. During that week I felt I drew closer to Jesus. I hope I can take Super Camp with me as I witness to my friends and share Jesus with them. I really enjoyed being part of the first Super Camp and hope to go back next year.

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of Truth. II Timothy 2:15

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**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.

These 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.
- A Ministry supported by tithes and offerings.

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

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