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In Memory of



Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Psalms 23:4

Alberta Barker

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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.

1) o 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 teachings approved by the Board from time to time if they are not inconsistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

A Christian is— A mind through which Christ thinks- A heart through which Christ loves— A voice through which Christ speaks— A hand through which Christ helps—a life through which Christ lives.

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Men read what you write, wheather faithless or truer say, what is the gospel according to you?

## Apostolic Faith Bible College Superintendent



Rev. and Mrs. Jack Cornell

## Greetings to all of you

Once again we come to you as Superintendent of the Apostolic Faith Bible College. Some time ago the invitation came to us by the Board of the school and we felt it the Lord's will, so we again will do our best to serve in this position with the Lord's help.

The Lord has moved upon those who are to work with us on the staff and we are happy and excited to be working with

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As of the time of this writing we are unable to announce the Dean of Women and our office staff. Also it is possible another class or two may be added.

The Board of the school desire that a tour be made in

behalf of the school so plans are under way with the following people traveling with us; Janae Harris, Danny Mack Robinson and Bill & Lisa Barby.

Due to the short time involved it will be impossible to visit every church. Please work with us on the schedule and we hope the dates will meet your approval. We would like to come to all of your churches so if we miss you this time, on our next tour we'll be with you.

There are many things we will share with you about our plans for the school when we come to your church.

We need your prayers for the Lord's blessing on our school. Remember it daily and give every effort you can to work with the school.

I must also inform you of the need in the general fund. At this time it is very low and there are bills coming in so please respond as you can.

Again keep us in prayer and we'll look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours in Christ, Jack & Kathryn Cornell

### God giveth the increase

O what a blessing this summer has been! I remember thinking as I drove home to Balko how fortunate and blessed I was as I faced the opportunities that the summer held for me. Going home, going home to rest and prepare for the California Youth Camp.

It wasn't all rest however, for I was able to work during wheat harvest. The most beautiful time of the year in the Panhandle and I was going to be in the middle of it! it rained and rained and rained and the anxious farmers became so impatient. It was harvest time, the wheat was ripe and the urgency to get into the fields and get the grain into the elevators was felt among all. Each day as I talked with the farmers I heard over and over again, "I must get into my fields soon, before my grain is ruined!" I was reminded of the verse found in John 4:35 "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? Behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." Truly we as Christians need to experience the urgency of getting into the ripe fields of unsaved souls. There will be time when it will be too late. Let's pray as we are admonished in Matthew 9:38 "Lord, send forth labourers." And let us be sensitive to His call as He calls us into that field. God blesses. We filled our elevators and then piled the grain onto the ground. And the farmers worked so hard! Long, long hours was what it took to save their crops and all the time and effort put forth was worth it to them. In my heart I felt the Lord tugging and asking me just how hard I was willing to work in His fields. I learned a valuable lesson from my friends at home who worked so diligently during harvest. But this is a report about camp...

I arrived at San Francisco early on a Mondy morning. Bro. Ross Briles, his daughter Jan, and David and Sue Juarez were welcome faces. I was in California a week early and gladly used the time to just enjoy myself, meet new friends and do some last minute preparation. The Briles family was a blessing and opened up their home to me and enough thanks cannot be expressed for their kindess. Soon camp time came and we were off to Camp Pinecrest nestled in the Sierra Nevada Mountains. So many big, big beautiful

trees! What a sight!!

I was in charge of the children. We had classes twice a day and sing ... how those children loved to sing. Before long Delaine Harvey and I knew those songs backward and forward, as did the children. I found many precious friends among the 27 souls that I had the privilege of working with each day. While my group was enjoying themselves, the Young People were in another part of the camp grounds listening to Brother Frank Hankins who led them in learning more about Jesus. Bro Frank is from Pasedena, California. In still another part of the camp Brother Ken and Sister Ann Owens were ministring to the adults who came to enjoy camp and the blessing of the Lord. Bro. Ken and Sis. Ann are also from California.

I cannot tell you how many people came to the camp, that is really not important. I can tell you though, about Thursday night. All week I'd been sharing with my kids about God, and who Jesus was and just planting seeds everywhere. But no response would come as I invited them to come meet Jesus and ask him to come into their heart. On Thursday night we had planned to share Communion

with campers. During our class time on Thursday I invited Brother Ken Priest to come share with us about the meaning of Communion and what this time really meant. Bro. Ken came and after sharing with us he gave the invitation for them to come and become Christians by thanking Jesus for what He had done on the cross and receiving Him into their hearts. Tears flowed like a river from my eyes as I saw everyone of the children get up from their place and come forward acknowledging their need for Jesus. Such a blessing to be apart of this harvest too. Thursday night was beautiful as we participated in Communion and drew not only closer to Jesus our Lord but also closer to one another a as Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

I thought of harvest back home and the time those farmers spent sowing seeds and praying for rain and praying the rain would stop. It's so important, each step in the soul-winning process. "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase. So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one . . . For we are labourers together with God: . . . (1 Cor. 3:6,7,8a,9a).

After a quick week of sharing with the smaller children who were not old enough to participate in camp it was time to say good-bye. So many new friends to cherish and although some of the names are already forgotten the faces I'll always remember. I thank the Lord for the opportunity I had to plant seeds to witness the watering and the harvesting and for just being able to be a small part of the California Youth Camp.

Deana Fish

# Her children arise up; and call her blessed;

Most of the time the only time we think of our mothers is on Mother's Day. Well, this isn't Mother's Day, but I just had to let everyone know what a great mother I have. There are a lot of different ways that mothers have been described and mine fits them all. My Mom is a little old fashioned and blushes at a lot of things that are said and done, and a lot of times she is teased about it. But, I'm glad that she's still able to blush. A lot of times we become so accustomed to the things of the world, that we forget how to blush. So I praise the Lord that my mother still knows how. I can remember as I was growing up, the many times I would pass by her bedroom and hear her crying and praying. I know that many of those prayers were for her baby boy. I'm thankful that the Lord heard those prayers.

Now my mother isn't known by a lot of people and she isn't as popular as others might be. But I want her to know that I love her with all of my heart. I know the Lord is no respector of persons, but somehow I can't help but think that a smile passes over His lips each time my mother's name is mentioned. Now these few words couldn't begin to tell you how special my mother is and how much I love her, but

somehow I just had to try.

Don Mullins
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#### ALBERTA VESTINE BARKER

Alberta Vestine was born in Beaver County, Oklahoma July 9, 1927, to John and Mollie Reiswig. She was the thirteenth child of fourteen children.

Alberta was saved at Balko, Oklahoma after her union with Winston James Barker on May 26, 1945. They attended the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, Kansas in 1946, 1947, and 1951. Since Winston and Alberta have been in the ministry, they have pastored churches in New Mexico, Kansas, Texas, Missouri, and Oklahoma. They have been missionaries for Missions to Mexico and taught at the Apolsolic Faith Bible College in 1969. They were involved with the Full Gospel Evangelistic Association and Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International in their 36 years of service.

Winston now resides in Amarillo, Texas, where he has been employed for two years by Trinity Fellowship Church. During this time, Alberta ended her service for the Lord on

Saturday, July 10, 1982.

She is survived by her husband, Winston James Barker-three sons and their wives: Clifford Dale and Lynette of Merdian, Mississippi; Keith Alan and Charlene of Amarillo; and Jerry Winston and Lavanda of Amarillo-seven grandchildren: Chanin Dale, Christopher Dane, Kristal Dawn, Shannon Beth, Stephen Wayne, Mindy Brooke, and Julie Marie-four brothers: Oliver, Ezra, Ira, and Delmer Reiswig-two sisters: Emma Naylor and Mary Hewitt-several neices and nephews and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at Trinity Fellowship on July 12, 1982. The Rev. Edwin Modrick, Rev. Harrol Waterbury, and Rev. Don Russel officiated. Burial was at

Capitol View Cemetery in Elmwood, Oklahoma.

(This is a poem read in her memory at the funeral).

She always leaned to watch for us, Anxious if we were late, In winter by the window, In summer by the gate.

And though we mocked her tenderly Who had such foolish care,
The long way home would seem more safe Because she waited there.

Her thoughts were all so full of us. She never could forget. And so I think that where she is She must be watching yet.

Waiting till we come home to her, Anxious if we are late. Watching from heaven's window Leaning from heaven's gate.

### Gordon T. Methvin Jr.

Gordon T. Methvin, Jr. was born March 31, 1918 in Peason, Louisiana to Gordon T. Sr. and Clara Dixon. He passed away at his home in Alvin, TX. on August 10, 1982. at the age of 64.

On September 28, 1940 he was united in marriage to Leona Powell at Center Point, TX. To this union were born 3 sons, Gordon, Gary and Don. Shortly after marriage Junior and Leona moved to the Alvin area where they worked for the Bradshaw Nursery for 38 years. In 1979 Junior and his brother-in-law A.C. Clark opened up a business of their own known as the Liner House Nursery.

The Methvins moved to Alvin in 1955 at which time they became very active in the Apostolic Faith Church. Junior served on the Church Board for 14 consecutive years and recently was re-elected to serve another term. He was a great supporter of his church in everyway. He remained true and faithful to his Lord to the very end. He was preceded in death by both parents and 1 brother, Darrell.

He is survived by his wife, Leona: 3 sons: Gordon & wife Dianna, grandson Gary Don of Nederland and grandson Steven and wife Glenda of Alvin; Son, Gary & wife Sandy, grandchildren, Gary Wayne Jr. and Shelley of Houston; Son, Don & wife LuAnn, grandchildren, Stephanie & Eric, of Houston. One Sister: Bertie & husband, A.C. Clark, Alvin; 3 brothers: R.J. & wife Roberta, Alvin; Burette & wife Donnie, Center Point, TX; and Rev. M.D. (Doc) & wife Juanita, Follette, TX.

Funeral services were conducted August 12, 1982 at the Oak Park Funeral Chapel, Alvin TX. Rev. Jack Cornell officiated, assisted by Rev. G.K. Kerr and Rev. Ron Martin.



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Mr. and Mrs. Tony Grantham announce the birth of a daughter, Tiffany Janae, born Aug. 10, 1982 at 5:42 a.m. at Freeman hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. ½ oz. and was 20 in. long.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beaver, Granby, and Don Clemants, Joplin. Great-grandparents are Gail Tuggle and Chalres Beaver, both of Granby. Great-great-grandmothers are Ella Largen and Grace Cook, also from Granby.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Grantham, Granby. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S.F. Grantham, Odessa, Texas. and Laura Pendergraft, Washburn Mo.

# October



# Notes

Spearman, Texas

Greetings in the name of the Lord!

Just a few lines from the Spearman Apostolic Faith Church to report some of what has happened in our church. We are glad for the goodly number from Spearman who were privileged to attend Camp Meeting. Since Camp Meeting our worship services have settled down to the usual routine. Our attendance stays pretty even, for which I am thankful. A few special things have happened in our midst that we would like to share.

On August 12, one of our young ladies of the church was married. Tamera Cherri Scroggs, the daughter of Ted and Barbara Scroggs was united in marriage to Timothy Bryan Shedd of Dumas, Texas, with Bro. Jake Regier officiating.

The reception was held in the parsonage.

On August 22, we were pleased to have Owen Earl and Lorane Jones and their family with us in the morning service. Sis. Lorane blessed our hearts with a special song.

(Thanks again, Lorane).

On August 29, David and Sharon McCance and daughter, Lisa were with us for service. Bro. David ministered to us in song and the preaching of the word both morning and evening. Our hearts were blessed by their sharing the Word with us.

So you can see that God has blessed us and we are glad. Praise His Name.

> In Christian love, Lealand and Edna Lee Grimmer

Pine Crest, Miss.

Dear friends,

This is to report to you that we are no longer pastoring Pine Crest Chapel. At the present time, we are enjoying very much the ministry of Bro. and Sis. Tony Jacobs. We appreciate these young people very much.

We will still teach the adult sunday school class. We also, have a very active ministry with the sick and shut-ins.

Our address and phone number is the same as usual. We enjoy and look forward to the report.

Pray for us.

Yours for Christ's sake, Sis. Dorothy Anderson

Midway, Okla.

Latter part of August, Bro. Calvin Springer held us a few nights services, The Lord blessed and Christians were revived and felt their need for a closer walk with the Lord. The attendance was good, and there were visitors from other neighboring churches, and I'm sure they were blessed by coming to hear the word of the Lord.

Bro. and Sis. Steve Arnall are leaders of our Pairs and Spares group of Sunday evening (they volunteered for the job) and they were doing a splendid job, also Sis. Virgina Jett and Sis. Lucille Harper (volunteers also) have the Junior group of Sunday evening, and they too are doing a great job. The Lord is blessing each one that takes part.

We have a young mens quartet that is doing a good job. They are Randall Bensch, Steve Arnall, J.D. Jett and David

Jett. Come by and hear them sometime.

There has been a new name written down in Glory, as Bro. Harlan Black was saved in the Hospital recently. He is home and recuperating nicely, even better then the Drs. though was possible. As he fell 16 or 17 feet from the top of a windmill. He is able to be up and walk around the house now. Praise the Lord for saving and healing power. The Drs. were baffled at the x-rays after the fall and now, nothing is impossible with the Lord. Praise His Name.

School has started here in the Panhandle of Tex. and Okla. so everyone seems to be hurrying around, hope they never get too busy to pray and read the word of the Lord, If

they do, they are too busy.

**Bob Taylor-Pastor** 

Bellville, Texas

The church here in Bellville is steadily growing. Early this year we added a classroom (portable building-instant classroom!). This is used for a Sunday School Class and then for Children's Church during the 11 o'clock service. We praise God for the willing and talented young ladies He has equipped for this work! On a recent Sunday morning four of the children received the precious Baptism of the Holy Spirit during Children's Church and one more reveived later at his home, as a result of the teaching he had received!

Early this spring we had our entire parking area and driveways paved. This has been a help on yard

maintenance-and really looks nice.

We are happy to have the Dean Harper family back with us. They are a blessing as they teach classes and Brother Dean preaches regularly during the Sunday night service. Also Sister Lois Harper is teaching in the public schools here and is a blessing in our services.

We do not have a mid-week service at the church, however, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, our pastor conducts two home Bible Study Groups; teaches two Bible Classes in our local nursing homes, and is the Pastor/Sponsor for the Lay Prayer Breakfast which meets at a local restaurant.

Our church has recently been permitted to assist some families who, due to the economic condition, have lost their jobs. It is a great thrill to see a family change from a really depressed down-and-out situation, to one of positive

faith-both in God and in people. God has worked several miracles in this regard to provide food, housing and permanent employment for these dis-placed persons.

We were glad to get to attend some of the Camp Meeting

services at Laverne.

God bless you, Betty Welsh & Larry

Ava. Mo.

Dear Friends of the Movement,

We wish to express our thanks to all who have prayed for us and helped in the support of this ministry of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We are beginning a new work here in Ava, Missouri. Presently we are using a borrowed building, but are praying that God will supply one of our own.

The Lord has truly blessed us since our first service on July 18, 1982. We started with 16 and now have an average of 20 each service. Our highest attendance was 25 for Sunday morning worship. Each number represents an opportunity to share the Gospel.

Beyond blessing us with numbers, God has richly blessed the services. We have enjoyed the presence of the Lord as we joined him around the altars, sang praises to His name,

and studied His WORD.

We are beginning a study of the Tabernacle on Wednesday nights and have been thrilled to have some new people join in this study.

There is a hunger for the Gospel in this area, and God has annointed our teachers, and preachers as they preach forth

the precious STORY.

We as a church ask that you continue to pray for us. Satan is running around like a roaring lion, seeking new works, old established works, young and old Christians alike, to devour them. As believers we must bind together and claim that precious Blood of Jesus over our lives and our families and plead for the salvation of the souls of lost humanity.

A very special praise is given to the Lord as we thank him for Bible College opening in January. Many prayers went up as we sought the Lord for our Bible School. The many wonderful memories and the teaching and answered prayers we received while students at AFBC are innumerable. The precious friends made there will never be forgotten. Let us pray together for our school, for our children will reap from these prayers, as they go to drink of that Spiritual Living Water that comes from Christ alone.

We wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Wilson for their unwavering dedication to the Lord as they work with us in this area. Bro. Dwight and I are open for revivals as God

> Because of Him, Andy Perry Rt. 3 Box 152 Ava, Missouri 65608





The children and grandchildren of Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Cornell cordially invite you to attend a reception in honour of their fifth wedding anniversary, Sunday, Oct. 31, 1982. It will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the Apostolic Faith Church, Laverne, Ok.

## "Thank you"

We want to say "Thank You" to our friends and family in Christ at the Taneyville Apostolic Faith Church.

We grew in the knowledge of the Lord the 2 years we pastored in Taneyville. There were times of heavy annointing, and the blessings of the Lord were precious, and there were times of desert walking, but still the blessings of the Lord were precious.

To our friends who stood by us in prayer and assistance we say "God Bless You." It is like leaving Family when a minister leaves his Church Family. There are hurts and aches, and one dear Saint said, "You always leave a little of your heart everywhere you pastor."

With the sadness of leaving comes the assurance that God knows best and he leads His children where he would have them go.

Our prayers will continue for you as you walk on in the ways of the Lord.

In Christ's Name Andy, Janice, Paula, Cassie & Adam Perry

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