



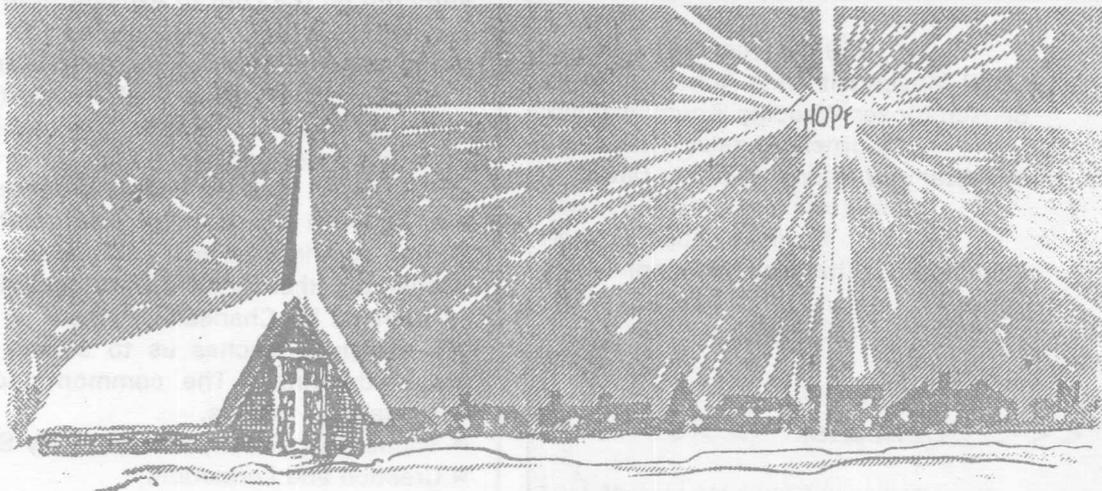
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The Other Side of Christmas

*There's ANOTHER side to Christmas...
one that we sometimes fail to see
In the midst of celebrating
and putting gifts under the tree
As beautiful lights gaily twinkle...
church bells ring out everywhere,
And "Peace on earth, good will toward men"
becomes the whole world's Christmas prayer.*

*Sometimes we forget that our blessings
were purchased at a great price
When God gave His only begotten Son
to be our sacrifice!*

*And others were cast in the drama
who had no explanation
As whispers and scandal shattered
a young virgin's reputation!*

*A small town carpenter's dreams
and his career were laid on the line;
He chose a difficult path...
he believed Mary's child was Divine!
And what of those long months of waiting
when faith was severely tried,
For no one understood the "miracle"
of Joseph's pregnant bride!*

*On the OTHER side of that first Christmas,
all was not peace and joy...
No one expected the Messiah
to be a small baby boy...
No one cared that a frantic young man
could find no lodging at all,
And the greatest drama of all time
was staged in a cattle stall!*

*Heavenly hosts sang, "Hosannah!"
as Deity was born on earth,
But Jesus knew He would be crucified
from the day of His birth.
What a price tag was attached
to the greatest gift ever given
For those who chose to play their roles
in the Master Plan of heaven!*

*On THIS side of that first Christmas
stands a cross on a lonely hill
Where the Son of God bought eternal life
for "whosoever will."*

*The message of hope still lives on...
No power can extinguish its light,
For Calvary and Easter sunrise
followed that first Christmas night!*

- Barbara Waterbury -

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Doctrine

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

- Triune God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
 - Creation and Formation.
 - Man is basically sinful and in need of Salvation.
 - Salvation by Grace upon repentance toward God and acceptance of Jesus Christ as one's personal Savior, 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 the 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.
 - 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 doctrines shall be adhered to in the teachings of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, which in addition to other doctrinal teaching approved by the Board from time to time if they are not in consistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

**To be like Christ
is to be a Christian**

William Penn

The Broken Covenant

by John Morrison

Using the Old Testament as an example as Paul has said in I Corinthians 10:1-12, we find that the Lord's primary way of dealing with men of faith has always been with covenants. The story in Jeremiah 34:8-22 of how Israel went back on a covenant shows how God is very merciful and slow to anger, but his word must be fulfilled.

A covenant or vow made with God is eternal; moreover, when God makes a covenant, either with commandment or by enlightening a saint to pray for or stand on a promise, it can be said that it is his perfect will. Some covenants are for all men at all times, like in Matthew 22:37-39 where Jesus sums up all the law and the prophets in the two commandments, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. While other covenants are for individuals, nations or races, as we see the Lord working in Israel.

A covenant made with a father of a nation or a leader of a people does not stop with the death of that man. This can easily be seen with the Lord's covenants with Abraham, Issac, Jacob and later Moses and Joshua. Nor were they binding on the Israelites who liked them, but also on the ones that did not. The only way that the Israelites could get out from under them was to leave Israel and become a citizen of another nation and thereby reject the covenants of their fathers. Other people from other nations could join Israel also and become full partakers of the covenant with God and their family was then counted among the Israelites.

The Lord is the same yesterday, today and forever, He never changes. So we know that the covenants made in our day are as binding as they were in Abraham's day.

The founder of the Apostolic Faith Movement, Charles F. Parham made a covenant with the Lord who was pleased with His servant. This can be clearly seen by the fruit that have come forth over the years. Now if there is a real hunger to have this movement continue, as I believe it is God's will to, we must go back and renew the covenant made by the founder of the Apostolic Faith Movement. Those who believe this is not important to do, do not understand how God looks on covenants. These promises made by the founder and truth revealed to him were not just the ideas of man, but clearly of the Holy Spirit. The rise of new age, humanism and eastern religions in the world today shows clearly that this message was to go out continually. The lie that man is like God and will live forever is the foundation of these movements.

It is not up to us to prove anything, but to hold up a standard, God's Word. Today, not only God's people, but the whole nation, yes, and much of the world is in trouble because of believing this lie. The Word declares, "my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge," Hosea 4:6. The hour is late, but as Jeremiah 34 shows, the Lord will forgive and restore if we will renew the cove-

nants and keep them.

Let us get on our face before the Lord and seek his way and how to do our part of the covenant. Let us not draw back. Be sure that persecution will come as the word says, "all who will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." Do not be afraid of names for all true men of God have been called names, and the servant is not better than his master.

Biblical Miniature AF Archive Building Report

by Yvonna Whiteley, Baxter Springs, KS

Around \$1,400 has been sent to this fund in the memory of Rev. E.K. Cornell. The family thanks each of you that have thus responded. We feel that he will continue preaching the gospel when we begin teaching classes in this building. That is special to us. So, we are anxiously waiting the time when funds are sufficient to build to house this collection.

Total funds have reached \$5,900. Praise the Lord for each of you who have remembered this account and have sent in your offerings. Some send \$10 a month while others have remitted larger one time offerings. And it all adds up to the time when we can build our building.

Sis. Karen Oakes has contacted some Home School and Christian School groups in Joplin. They are anxious to use this as a teaching tool and field trips as soon as we are ready.

Our goal is to have children's Bible Clubs with our students teaching and gaining experience besides opening it up for viewing by others. If teachers everywhere could catch the vision of what they could do to reach children for God, it could affect all of our churches.

When you are in Baxter, please come and view our wonderful treasures which God has given to us.

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Has Anyone Seen ... MY PARENTS ?

by J.R.Slater, Joplin, MO

Hello everyone! I hope this letter finds you in good health and still working for the Lord. My name is J.R. Slater, I am 20 years old and a part-time student at the Apostolic Faith Bible College. This is an account of my experience during the last year and a half. Please do not take my words as a put down or an accusation. This is my testimony. It is not meant to sound bitter or spiteful in any way, shape or form. The content of this letter is dealing with the internet and it's effects on my family.

I was attending my first semester at AFBC (Apostolic Faith Bible College) when my parents decided to step into the 90's and bought a computer. I had been begging for years. When I moved away to college they finally got one. Weird huh? Well, at first the computer was just an expensive way to play a card game called *Solitaire*. After a little coaxing from my sisters and I, we finally got access to the World-Wide Web or computer network called the *Internet*. I would drive home evenings to teach my parents how to look up information and surf the web. As I said earlier, there is nothing wrong with using the *Internet*. It is probably the best and fastest way to find information. That is what my parents did at first, then I showed them the chat rooms (places where you can write back and forth interactively talking with someone who have be on the other side of the world). That is when our problems started. At first, we would joke about how my parents were addicted more than my sisters and I were. Then my mom started staying on longer and longer. About this same time My Grandma Slater became very ill and had to be put into a nursing home. She got very sick around Christmas time and my dad became very upset. We couldn't be contacted on her condition due to the phone line being tied up because my mom refused to get off the *Internet*. My grandma would ask for my mom to come see her, but mom never did. She told people at Grandma Slater's funeral that she wasn't feeling well and that's why she didn't come. They all knew the real reason. About this time, my parents started making "unscheduled" trips. They would go out and not return for hours. We would get phone calls from people we didn't know that would ask for our parents. They would ask who we were and then hang up when we told them.

Soon after Grandma Slater passed away, my Grandpa Cook came down with cancer and in a very short amount of time had become weak and sick. He had to have intense radiation treatments. Either my uncle or I would have to take him for treatments because my mom was busy chatting on the *Internet*. At this point in time she was on for about 23 hours a day. The extra hour belonged to my dad. My dad would always tell my sisters and I not to be surprised if we woke up one morning and he had left.

One night when I came home late from work I came into the house and some of the lights were left on. I figured that someone may have forgotten to turn them

off, so I turned them off and went to bed. What I didn't know was that my dad was hiding in the closet and when I went to bed he left and caught a bus for Indiana. He contacted us about 2-3 weeks later and said he was happy and living with a woman he had met on the *Internet*. My mom became very upset and said she was going to find him. She left the day after Christmas on a bus. A week later she called us and said she was in Louisiana and she was living with a man she had met on the *Internet*.

As I stated earlier my Grandpa Cook had cancer and was slipping into the last stages. My Grandmother and I had to take care of him. It was just my Grandpa, Grandma, my two sisters (Ashley age seven and Candy age fifteen) and me.

It turned out that while my dad was here he built up quite a few bills. He took our truck to a title loan place and got \$250 for the title. He took the money to pay for the *Internet* service. He never paid it. I had to pay \$500 to get the truck back. On top of that I had to pay another \$500+ for other bills. I don't say this for sympathy, in the Bible it says that the Lord will take care of his people and provide for their needs. The day we found out about the bills and debt we also found out about God's provision. We started to get letters and cards containing money. The senders all said the same thing, "I don't know why I need to send this to you, but I felt you needed it." PRAISE GOD!

We started to think things were looking up until my Grandpa passed away this past spring. He was followed by my Aunt and Uncle. The death of my Grandpa Cook really hit me hard. I had lived with him and my Grandma Cook almost all of my life. That was a sad time for me.

You are probably thinking that it's still that way for me. Some think that our house is filled with sadness and depression. But it's not! In the past year we have laughed and we have cried, but we go on.

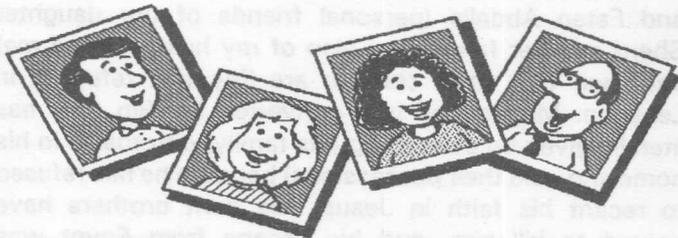
We realize now that our small family is precious and that God will provide. There are many things that have happened in our family. Some have to do with the *Internet*, some do not.

When I was asked to write this I was nervous, but I realized that there are others out there dealing with this same problem in their households. I hope this will enlighten you and allow people to see what the *Internet* can do when not used right, both personally and to families.

The next time your child wants you to help them read a book or just talk and hang-out and you want to log-on instead ... think about my testimony. Please! God bless you and may He keep His arms around you real tight.

**A great man is always
willing to be little.**

Ralph Waldo Emerson



NEWS ABOUT OUR PEOPLE

50th Wedding Anniversary

Max and Dorothy Pennington celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Oct. 10, 1999 at Lakeside Resort near Branson, Mo. All five of their children and most of their 17 grandchildren were in attendance.

Max and Dorothy renewed their vows with son-in-law, Frank Chambers, performing the ceremony. Micheal Pennington was best man and sons-in-law were men of honor. Michelle was matron of honor and the other girls were attendants. The girls sang beloved songs for their parents. Two little granddaughters were ring bearers. After 50 years, it was time to replace the original wedding rings.

Max and Dorothy met at Bible College in 1949 and were married the same year returning to Bible College in 1950 as a couple. They have been active in the ministry either full time or part time for most of the 50 years. Max has also worked as an aircraft designer to supplement their income.

They have raised five wonderful children. Their son Micheal is the oldest, followed by four daughters, Michelle (or Micki), Angela, Pamela and Jeannie. They have 17 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Max and Dorothy returned to the Leakey and Campwood, Texas area in Nov. where they were married to fill in for Bro. & Sis. Marvin Boyd while they were in Baxter Springs, Ks.

Max and Dorothy thank God for 50 wonderful, rich, full and fruitful years and are looking forward to their 60th.

Spearman, TX

Please pray with us for a Pastor. The Apostolic Faith church of Spearman, Texas will be in need of a full time pastor after Jan. 1, 2000. Anyone who has a burden and is interested please contact one of the following Board Members:

- Ted Scroggs, 806-659-3293
- Steven Greever, 806-659-3105
- Bennie Buschman, 316-856-5837 or 806-878-2070

Thank You

Word's can't express our appreciation and thanks to each of you on behalf of our Father, E.K. "Gene" Cornell. All of your calls, visits, flowers and prayers are cherished by us.

We would also like to express out thanks for all the memorial contributions to the fund for the Minature Bible Diorama and Archive Bldg. Fund. They brought our fund to about \$5900. May God bless you.

Yvonna and Howard Whiteley
Jack and Katherine Cornell

Ministers' Pictures Needed

I need a 3 1/2 x 5 picture of all present day ministers so that I can make plaques for the dining hall at the Laverne Camp ground. Please send them as soon as possible so that they may be made before the Spring rush here at the camp grounds. Thank You.

Please send to Rev. Bob Taylor, 430 W. Golf Road, Laverne, Ok. 73848-7569



Bensch - Moser Wedding

Sept. 4, 1999 marked an important date for Randall and Joyce Bensch, Philip and Mary Moser, and their families. It was on this day that their children Cheryl

Rae Bensch of Logan, Ok. and Phillip Brian Moser, Joplin, Mo. were united in holy matrimony. This celebration took place at the Midway Country Church in Logan, Ok. at two o'clock in the afternoon. Rev. Neil Ragan officiated the ceremony.

The bride and groom were assisted by their four attendants. Denise Bensch, sister of the bride, served as the maid of honor. Friends of the bride, Stephanie Arnall and Lindsey Arnall of Follett, Tx. as well as Bobby Gorski, of Laverne, Ok. attended Cheryl as bridesmaids. Brenton Moser, brother of the groom, fulfilled the role of best man. Also standing up for Brian were Keith Buschman, cousin of the bride, Gene Barber, friend of the groom, and Shane Slavens, brother-in-law of the groom.

Ashley Arnall, served as candle lighter. The bride's Aunt, Glenda Buschman, played the wedding march for the ceremony. Larissa and Jordan Jett assisted the couple by pulling out the isle runner and passing out bubbles at the reception.

The bride wore a chapel length white wedding gown that was first worn by Tracy Stephens of Joplin, Mo. and then Robin Slavens, Neosho, Mo., sisters of the groom.

Bensch-Moser Wedding cont...

It had puffy lace sleeves and a beaded bodice with a satin train. The bride carried a bouquet that she made herself of purple and white roses mingled with ivy. The fact that both of Brian's sisters wore the same wedding dress made this day even more special.

Friends and family joined in the celebration at the small country church and then reconvened at the Victory School House, two miles south of the church, for the reception that followed. The couple was sent off with bubbles and best wishes in their new life together.

Mr. & Mrs Moser now reside in Alvin, Texas, fulfilling the call of the Lord on their lives as youth pastors for the Trinity Apostolic Faith Church. Their address is 800 E. South St. Apt 607, Alvin, Tx. 77511.

A Letter From The Bride

I would like to thank you all for your prayers for me this past summer. It's not every summer that a person gets to plan their wedding, let alone have two broken wrists, but that was my experience. As you may know, on June 29, 1999 while helping my father, Randall Bensch, stack alfalfa hay bales in our barn, I fell off the hay truck sustaining injuries to both of my wrists. The injuries to my right wrist were more severe. There was a hairline fracture in my left wrist and three significant breaks in my right wrist. I went to an orthopedic surgeon in Shattuck, Ok. to have him set the breaks. As it turned out, it took three minor surgeries to get it right, but the Lord was with me all of the way. It can be discouraging to hear that another surgery is needed to correct the problem, but God's people were praying and I came through them all with few or no side effects.

The Tuesday after Camp Meeting the cast on my left arm was removed and on Aug. 31 the pins were removed from my right arm and a brace put on instead. It was very encouraging to know I could walk down the aisle in my wedding without pins in my arm. I am very thankful for all of you that prayed for me during that time. I feel as if I have learned some very valuable lessons from this experience and thank the Lord that He is still our Great Physician!

Sincerely, Cheryl (Bensch) Moser

Request For Help

Nov. 22, 1999

My nephew, Calvin Klaus, sent me the enclosed letter via e-mail and asked if I would send it on to church pastors who might be concerned and willing to convey to their congregations the desperate needs of the churches and ministry in Moldova. Timing is critically important as funds must be available to shop for and secure the needed supplies before the end of the year. The US Embassy has warned Americans to expect a breakdown in banking and communications, as well as in utilities in

that country.

Also, another very urgent prayer request: Mohammed and Faten Abdalla (personal friends of our daughter Sherri and her family and also of my husband and me) and their two small children are Egyptian refugees in Lebanon. Mohammed is a converted Muslim who has literally given up everything (his family, citizenship in his homeland, and their possessions) because he has refused to recant his faith in Jesus. His own brothers have vowed to kill him, and his escape from Egypt was nothing short of a miracle! He has no work permit in Lebanon. He will almost certainly be killed if he is forced to return to Egypt. They have been granted permission to immigrate to Canada; if they had the necessary funds to exit Lebanon before the end of the year, they could immigrate prior to Y2K and the potential problems to Lebanon in that event. After January 1, they will be placed on a waiting list with the Canadian Embassy, and their departure will be uncertain. The total amount needed for plane fares for the four of them, and entrance fees required by the Canadian government, is approximately \$5,000 - a little over \$2,000 has already been given. Perhaps someone in your congregation would be moved with compassion to help this family. If so, funds may be sent to Perryton Full Gospel Church, Box 845, Perryton, TX 79070 and designated for "Mohammed."

I am very much aware of how great the needs are, but I know God gives to us that we may give back into His hands by giving to others. Sometimes we can't give because we don't know the needs. The purpose of these letters is to let God's people know what some of our brothers and sisters in Christ need and are enduring. May God bless you and yours this holiday season!

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Moldova, Russa

Nov. 21, 1999

Day before yesterday, the government fell in Moldova. There was a vote of no confidence. The Parliament has ten days to place a new government, or the president will place it. The majority party is Communist. If they make the government - or if the president does - it will be bad. The IMF, International Monetary Fund, was to release a large amount of funds to Moldova to help pay for its natural gas debt, which would allow for heat and electricity this winter. However, the IMF will not release funds to either of these new governments.

For the first time since I have been here, the electricity is being turned off for long periods for energy rationing throughout Chisinau, the capitol city. For many, like me, electricity is the only way to heat and cook. Over half the city has natural gas in the apartments but, for the first time, it is also being cut off.

We are facing a new unexpected and unplanned problem - and with this problem, NEEDS. I want to try to

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Moldova cont...

communicate that the Church in Moldova is facing some very urgent and drastic situations. I want to ask if you will give the Body of Christ at your church the opportunity to hear of the situation and need, and allow the Lord to move as He will.

I am responsible for some major areas of ministry including street children, a new church planting in Balti (the second largest city in Moldova), a home for children, and in helping some of the other newly planted churches. There are new and specific needs in each of these areas.

The new church in Balti needs a small generator - \$900.

The home for children needs a small generator - \$900.

A little stronger generator for use this winter with outreach teams that I support to do programs in the orphanages and small churches - \$1,200.

Blankets, clothing and bedding for street children and poor (to be made in the sewing room) - \$1,000.

Oil lamps and candles to help street children and the elderly. They will not have 1 lei (8 cents) to pay for a candle this winter. A retired person is paid 40 lei a month, but most have not been paid for a year or two; they cannot afford extra blankets or candles - \$1,000.

Rechargeable lamps with small fluorescent bulbs needed in various areas of my personal ministry with children and church planting - \$400.

Rechargeable lamps for some of the small outreach churches that we have started. We have over 20 planted churches, about 26 preaching points. The majority of the churches could at least have lighting for church (even though they must dress for the cold) if each church had two lamps; the lamps cost about \$35-\$40 each ... cost of 40 lamps would be about \$1,500.

Five of the new planted churches need generators; they are bringing many to the Lord and the churches are very active with youth nights, children's ministries, Bible studies, and regular church services. Cost for generators is about \$900 each + the need of cable, halogen will be about \$100 per church. Total need - \$5,000.

Whatever happens, my desire is to see basic ministry and key ministry continue. Yesterday a \$9,000 need was met for a large generator for the Seminary, praise the Lord! This was critical for the uninterrupted training of young men to preach the Gospel, plant new churches, and pastor ... this need was met in response to a request to help Doru that was sent to a friend of the ministry here. The Seminary also houses three congregations (Romanian, Russian, and deaf ministry), the street children's ministry and feeding program, a Christian school, medical clinic, dental clinic, and training center. Praise the Lord for His blessing!

With expected Y2K problems in Eastern Europe and Russia, there is a very real possibility that electric supply, natural gas, trains, some medical equipment, and banking will stop for some time. One survey said that at least 40% of the electricity and gas sources will fail in Russia; they will not export if Russia does not have sufficient

supplies. Moldova is totally dependent on Russia, for energy (natural gas). The central hot water heating system to thousands of large apartments in Chisinau and in Balti is heated with gas supplied by Russia; the electricity is also affected in the same way by natural gas and coal supplied by Russia.

The US Embassy has started a voluntary evacuation of nonessential personnel. Yesterday they called in all the US citizens for a briefing. They suggested a large list of things we should get and store - and that before January 1, we should have two months of cash on hand as the banks might not be able to transfer money or will lose our account information. The Ambassador said that we (Americans) have it better than the people of Moldova and that These problems will not affect us as quickly or as severely. There was another missionary family present who smiled just as I did. We are here living with the people on their level, unlike many Americans who come with big companies or through government contracts.

Whatever happens, I am here to continue to help train workers for the ministry, plant new churches, and help change the lives of children for Jesus. Thank the Lord for providing a few good sleeping bags from Alaska two years ago; they make this commitment a little easier. The Lord knows my unexpected needs and I know He will supply them.

I know this is a large list of needs and in some ways, I feel uncomfortable sending it - but I am only one member of the Body of Christ I know there are single members who, alone, can - with great joy - supply this need; I also know that there are many other members who can work together to help meet the needs. If you feel the liberty to share this need with your church, I will be thankful. All I ask is that this need be brought before the Body of Christ without a great plea, but just to let the believers know about the situation here and to give them the opportunity to share in meeting the needs if the Lord moves on their hearts. If he supplies none, Praise His Name! If He supplies part, Praise His Name! If He supplies all, Praise His Name! And if He supplies "in abundance," He knows that this is just a "Basic Needs" list of what we need to face the predicted changes in Moldova.

I want to thank you for your prayers and financial support, and encouragement, over the last few years. Anything you can do to make others aware of these needs will be appreciated.

Support can be sent through: Full Gospel Church, c/o Pastor Mike Waterbury, Box 845, Perryton, TX 79070, Phone: (806) 435-2506, E-mail: pastorm@arn.net

Checks may be made payable to: Perryton Full Gospel Church, Memo for: Moldova Outreach. (If for special item, specify item). All support will be acknowledged with a letter and year-end receipt.

Or support can be sent directly to Moldova. For transfer information, send an E-mail to:

cwklaus@wrlld14hm.mldnet.com

Reporting: Calvin W. Klaus, Missionary

Kenneth Gale Doty

Kenneth Gale Doty was born on June 21, 1928 in Alief, Tx. He went out of this life free of pain on Oct. 23, 1999 at the age of 71. He is survived by a loving, Christian wife, Lola Belle, two sons, David and Obe, two daughters, Linda and Brenda, 13 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. He loved his family very much and always asked about the one that didn't show up for a family get-together.

Kenneth was raised on a dairy farm. He milked cows every morning before going to school and then again every evening. One day when cleaning his gun, the gun discharged, taking one of his fingers off. He used to always wiggle that "nub" for kids and would enjoy watching them laugh.

Kenneth met Lola Belle in Perryton, Tx. in 1949 while working for a farmer hauling wheat. Lola Belle got his truck keys, thinking they belonged to another guy she liked at the time. The confrontation came when Kenneth went to get HIS keys back. They started corresponding by mail shortly after that. They courted by mail for a year before deciding to get married. Kenneth and Lola Belle decided to start the year off right with their marriage on Jan. 1, 1950.

Kenneth and Lola Belle lived and farmed in Alief along with his brother James Doty, having farmland off Post Oak and other parts of the now downtown Houston area. In 1958 they moved to a little house on the bayou in Liverpool, Tx. They always told their kids not to go too close to the bayou and to watch for alligators. They moved to their new home on the outskirts of Alvin in June of 1960.

Kenneth was an avid farmer and rancher. He was rated as the best farmer in the area in his time, outcropping even the farmers that went to college to learn to farm. His son, Obe now carries on that tradition.

Kenneth served as a Board of Director for the Apostolic Faith Church for many years. He also held position of Trustee. He resigned from the Board of Directors in 1980 after suffering his first heart attack. Kenneth and Lola Belle were faithful members of the Trinity Apostolic Faith Church for many years. They attended the Gonzales church whenever they couldn't make it home for services in Alvin.

Kenneth enjoyed Bluegrass music. He and Lola Belle attended Bluegrass festivals and weekend singings whenever possible. They would take their lawn chairs, if outside, and their ice chest with their tea to drink. They met many dear and close friends that they still keep in contact with in between singings.

If they didn't show up at the singings the friends would call to see what was wrong and was Kenneth okay. That showed what kind of an impression they had on people.

Kenneth ate his second and last supper at 9 P.M., Friday night. He told the nurse he was getting ready for

his trip because he was going home Saturday. He did! We know today that Kenneth is with the Lord, because he was a Christian when he passed away. His wish today would be that each and every one of his family members would be saved so they could see him in Heaven when that time comes.

The Greatest Man I Could Ever Know

by Grandson Patrick Anderson

The greatest man I could ever know;
He always seemed to be on the go.
He could make you laugh or cry;
Boy could he ever make time fly.
He loved us more than we could know;
The greatest man I could ever know.

When it came time to round up cattle;
He made it look as an easy battle.
There isn't really much to say;
All I know is we should pray;
For he would want it to be that way.
He had more faith than he could show;
For he is the greatest man I could ever know.

There is a little of him inside of me;
And I am going to let it shine like it should be.
We must remember what is left;
All those memories we can't forget.
But he is now where he belongs.
I won't ever let his memory fold;
For he's is The Greatest Man I Could Ever Know.

A Tribute To Kenneth Doty

by Brenda Martin

He was a tall, rugged looking man with a demeanor that he was no stranger to hard work and may have been at some point in his life his own taskmaster, driven by the knowledge that hard work was the only way to live your life. Yet he became a man that realized that each moment was an opportunity filled with possibilities.

Each of us noticed the expression of pure delight and completeness on Bro. Kenneth's face when his eyes, searching the room, finally rested on Lola Belle, and watched as his steps with assurance started in her direction.

A sweet man with a great big heart. A heart big enough to include his whole family and us. A man that always seemed to be thinking and pondering things, maybe the farm, maybe his children, they were a great joy in his life, or maybe he was thinking about you. Did you ever notice how he could say the nicest things that had real worth

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and meaning? His words stirred my spirit and many times brought tears to my eyes because of the impact of what he had chosen to say. He seemed to extremely aware of his surroundings, not letting too much get passed him. And he had a cute way of responding when he thought he had missed something. Sitting at the family table I noticed how he could enjoy and savor the taste of food, especially if Lola Belle had made it.

I will forever remember this tall, rugged faced, friend as a Man of strenght, endurance, encouragement, direction, concern and tenderness; and will miss the gentle ways he touched our lives, spoken and unspoken. Your memory lives on.

Erman Weldon "E.W." Dickson



Erman W. Dickson, Spearman, Tx. passed from this life Dec. 21, 1998, at the Hansford Manor, Spearman, Tx. following a lengthy illness. Bro. Dickson's mind was clear and pretty sharp until about two weeks before his death when he suffered a stroke. He was born Oct. 8, 1906 in Colum-

bia County, Ar. near Magnolia, to Charles T. and Ida H. Dickson.

On Sept. 2, 1928 he was united in marriage to Cladys Ward, who preceded him in death June 6, 1964, in Pasadena, Tx. To this union was born one daughter, Myra Fern and one son, Weldon Ward "Sonny". On June 26, 1965, he was united in marriage to Helen Scott, who has since passed away (August 1999). Burial for E.W. was beside his first wife near Magnolia, Ar.

Evangelist E.W. Dickson was converted in an open air-meeting in the fall of 1933 in southern Arkansas. Soon after that, he became acquainted with Modrick/Campbell Evangelistic Party in a street meeting in Magnolia, Ar. and felt his call into the ministry. At this time, the J.M. and Vera Scotts were just beginning their ministry. The Dicksons and the Scotts joined together to begin conducting revival meetings in the early part of 1934. In the winter of 1937, Bro. Dickson and his wife Cladys attended Bible School in Baxter Springs, Ks. in the old Parham home under the direction of Robert Parham. He continued in the evangelistic field for over 50 years until his health prohibited it. There were a few times he pastored temporarily; first at Bethel Church, Magnolia, Ar. in 1949 and then began a work in Goldthwaite, Tx., in 1950, remaining there for two and one half years when they moved to

Houston, Texas area. He assisted in a Camp Meeting near Meredian, Ms. in 1948 and was co-director of a youth camp in Onalaska, Tx. from 1957 through 1973, moving to the Texas Panhandle in 1975.

In the spring of 1948, Rev. Paul Bollinger accompanied Bro. Dickson to Mexico City for mission work. Bro. Dickson made two trips to Alaska; with Bro. Bob Palmer in the winter of 1958 and the summer of 1962 when he and his wife, Don Russell and Bro. and Sis. Southall went there for a revival. He and his family spent the summer of 1950 in Hawaii working with The Robert Beydlers and the Robert Dentons in mission work.

Suvivors at his death included his wife, Helen; one daughter and husband, Myra Fern and Wally Berner of Mills, N.M. and one son and wife, Ret. LTC Weldon Ward "Sonny" and Peggy Dickson of DeSoto, Texas; one stepson and wife, Bob and Mary Scott of Bella Vista, Ar. Also, one grandson, Edwin D. Berner, Mills, NM. and five granddaughters, Cindy and husband Ron Smith, Amarillo, Tx. and their daughters, Keisha, Shea and Brynne; Denise and husband David Kellum, and their children Desley and wife Jennifer, Derek, Dean, D'Anna and D'nae; Dara Jeanne Dickson, Dallas, Tx. Captain Teri Dickson-Riggelman and husband Captain Edison Riggelman, Colorado Springs, Co. and Jodi Dickson, Dallas, Tx.

Memorial services were conducted in the Apostolic Faith Church, Spearman, Texas, Dec. 23, 1998 by Rev. Marcus Adair and Pastor James Brown. Vivian Flowers sang, "What a Day That Will Be" and Ted Scroggs and June Edwards sang "Just To Know". The congregation sang "Amazing Grace". Pianist was Kathleen Sutton. Pallbearers were Ron Smith, David Kellum, Donald Flowers, Doyle Jackson, Ted Scroggs and Steven Greever.

Graveside rites were conducted Dec. 28, 1998 at Barlow Cemetery near Magnolia, Ar. by Rev. Henry Pletcher with Hilton Stewart leading "Amazing Grace".

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1999 Convocation in Baxter Springs, Kansas

Dec. 29, 1999 Schedule

Speaker Fred Huff 7:00 PM

Dorm rooms available on a limited basis. For reservations call Savoy Grimms at (316) 856-3283.

A special thank you to all the ministers who left their families during this busy time to share in ministry. Thank you to the cooks for such wonderful meals. Thank you to those in charge of the specials, musicians and Master of Ceremonies.

Dec. 30, 1999 Schedule

Breakfast 7:30 AM
Speaker Lyndel Arnall 9:00 AM
Speaker Frank Arnall 10:30 AM
Noon Meal 12:00 Noon
Speaker Mark Palmer 2:00 PM
Evening Meal 5:00 PM
Speaker Gaylon Flora 7:00 PM

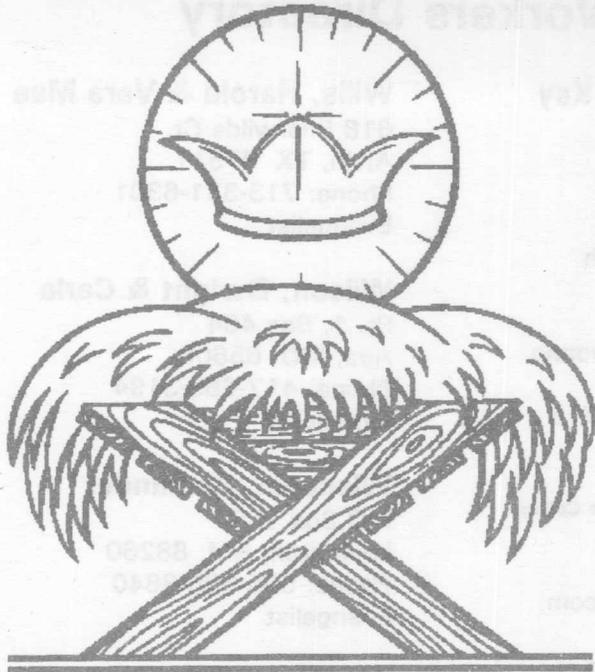
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In Charge of MCs Austin Sutton
Breakfast Chef Pat Stansberry
Noon Chef Carla Wilson
Supper Chef Carla Wilson

Dec. 31, 1999 Schedule

Breakfast 7:30 AM
Speaker Dwight Wilson 9:00 AM
Speaker Alvin Buschman 10:30 AM
Noon Meal 12:00 Noon
Speaker Jacob Urick 2:00 PM
Evening Meal 5:00 PM
Speaker Paul Clanton 7:00 PM
Refreshments 9:30 PM

Watch-Night Service

Speaker Austin Sutton 10:30 PM
Prayer 12:00 Mid-Night



For unto us a child is born,
to us a son is given ...

Isaiah 9:6

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AFBC Spring Semester

January 4

Contact: Savoy Grimmer, Supt.
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AFBC Advisory Board Meeting

February 11, 9:00 AM

Apostolic Faith Church
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AFBC Final Concert Ordination / Dedication Service

May 11, 10:00 AM

AFBC Graduation

May 11, 7:00 PM

AFBC Annual Business Meeting

May 12, 9:00 AM

AFBC Alumni & Friends Banquet

May 12, 6:30 PM

TBA

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Midwest Youth Camp (Laverne, OK)

Senior, June 4-9

Junior, June 11-16

Chairmen:

Ron Brening
James Brown
Paul Morrison

South Texas Youth Camp

TBA, Sealy, TX

Chairman: To Be Elected

Four-State Youth Camp

June 17-21, Jr. Camp

June 21-24, Sr. Camp

Baxter Springs, KS

Chairman: Glenn Oakes
(417) 782-8933

Pine Crest Youth Camp

TBA, Pine Crest, MS

Chairman: Mike Brening
(334) 963-4742

Peaceful Pines Youth Camp

TBA

Chairman: Ross Briles
(209) 529-2127

Camp Meeting 2000

July 24 - 30, Laverne, OK

Chairmen:

Ted Barker
Jack Cornell
Neil Ragan