

# *The Apostolic Faith Report*

April– July 2021

Volume 67 Issue 2



Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body more than raiment? Behold the fowls of the air; for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature? And why take ye thought of raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin; and yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like some of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and tomorrow is cast into the oven, *shall he* not much more *clothe* you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying What shall we eat? Or, What shall we drink? Or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? ( For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow; for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day *is* the evil thereof.

Matthew 6: 25-34

## The Apostolic Faith Report

Karen Oakes— Editor

P. O., Box 653

Baxter Springs, KS 66713

Phone —620— 856— 5281

Cell: 417-434-6245

Email: doakes@joplin.com

Published as the Lord provides: sent to you upon request on the free will offering basis. Please send all changes of names or addresses, giving both old and new names, addresses and zip codes.

## AFBC Board of Trustees & Editorial Board

### Calvin Harris

P.O. Box 217

Rock Island, TX 77470

(979) 732-7438

### Joel Dorris

112 Anita Drive

Carl Junction, MO 64834

(417) 439-2922

### Jim Boyd

P.O. Box 563

Leakey, TX 78873

(830) 279-1451

### Homer Allen

1718 Donax

San Diego, CA 92154

(619) 423-2131

### Matt Snyder

8018 County Lane 214

Joplin, MO 64801

(417) 540-7681

### Tony Brown

126248 EW 25 Rd.

Balko, OK 73932

### Charles Harris

(806) 202-1986

4138 State Hwy AA

Taneyville, MO 65759

(417)796-2155

## By Laws of the

## Apostolic Faith Bible College

### Article VII—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 inconsistent with the above basic doctrines.



# APOSTOLIC FAITH BIBLE COLLEGE

*Go to learn. Learn to go.*

It is not a coincidence that the word “faith” is in our name. We can’t succeed without it. From biblically based classes to trusting God to provide all of our needs by not charging tuition, it is a part of every aspect of what we do here at AFBC; and it has been since our inception.

On February 28, 1945, at a meeting at the Frisco Church in Webb City, MO, a committee was formed to make all arrangements for a permanent Bible School in the Four-State area. The committee consisted of Ben Barker, Otis Wade, Tica Tabor, Alfred Whiteley and Jack Barker. Several locations were discussed, but on March 15, 1945, a two story building was purchased in Baxter Springs, Kansas for \$8000.00. It was here, in April 1945, that the first Board of Trustees of the Apostolic Faith Bible College was elected. Then three trustees were Alfred Whiteley, Otis Wade and Ben Barker. Then in Sept. of 1945, the first term of the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, Kansas was announced. The term was scheduled for January 8th through March 8th of 1946, and was under the direction of the Dean, Tica Tabor.

Throughout the following decades the success of the Apostolic Faith Bible College has hinged completely on the faithfulness of people like you.

On behalf of the current staff of AFBC, Jenny and I want to say thank you for your continued support over the years. We recognize that we are building today on the foundation that has been laid over the last 75 years by faithful men and women. Our future potential exists because of the past. Thank You!

We know that without a doubt, that God has specifically called each member of our staff here for this season. This knowledge and assurance produces faith. We are “fully persuaded” that God STILL has big plans for AFBC, and we expectantly look to Him to guide us into the future, Thank you for continuing to sow into this work of the Lord here at the Apostolic Faith Bible College. We are very grateful for our heritage, and are excited about the future.

Believing for big things,

Brian & Jenny Harris

***Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the  
evidence of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1***

## AFBC Student Testimonies



This year I have grown exponentially in my relationship with the Lord. I learned what a secret place looks like and how vital it is. I love the time that I get to just spend with Jesus here at AFBC.

Kaitlin Harris, Rock Island, TX

I learned what it means to have a personal relationship with Him and through that He taught me how to fully rely on Him. The more we rely on the Lord the more it is natural to walk this thing out. His Spirit flows from us when we put it into us. Alexis Bynum- Livingston, TX



This year I have grown in the Lord tremendously, more than I even know. The school has encouraged me and stayed by my side through all my ups and downs. It is only by the grace of God that I have truly learned to walk by faith in Christ!

Langston McGuire- Oronogo, MO



I've learned to hear the voice of God. The staff here have been pouring into me all year, providing me the truth in situations they had no idea about. I've been able to overcome jealousy and able to get my eyes off others and back onto God.

Aysia Randolph-Mineral Wells, WV



As a student of AFBC I have learned patience and to seek the Lord on my own. I am also thankful for the opportunities to minister.

Adrian Reyes- Carthage, MO

God has been wonderful this year. One of my prayers He answered was for patience. It was tough at the beginning of the year trying to be patient, but God came through and I am so thankful for that.

Ethan Milot-Spearman, TX



.The Lord has been so faithful this year at AFBC. I've learned to hear His voice and obey it. The Lord has freed me from so many strongholds in my life and I am so thankful for this freedom and His peace.

Eric Dillon-Bellville, WV



This year has brought me closer to God than ever before. He has taught me confidence and helped me with anxiety. I have read the Bible more than previous years and found some scriptures that speak to me. He's still working on me!-

Madison Guatney- Diamond, MO





This year has been showing me His true character and how amazing He truly is, God is love and He has so much love for me.

Michal Wasson- Joplin, MO

God has done so much for me this year! There's a big difference just looking back a year ago. He's set me free from addiction and He's healed me. He's also been showing me how much He loves and cares for me! - RyLee Buschman- Joplin, MO



I realize now that God is our provider! Coming to AFBC with my wife, we lost our income, but we did not lose our bills. After 9 months of paying bills, our bank account is at the same amount it was before we came to college! When you are obedient, God makes the way!- Grant Grier-Alvin, TX



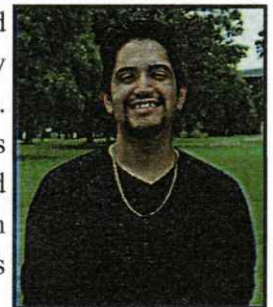
Something God has taught me this year is that being a child of God is about having a personal relationship with Him. I have to talk to him daily and allow Him to talk to me through His Word. Through relationship He begins to transform me more into His image.- Shi Grier- Alvin, TX



.God has taught me patience and flexibility. I've learned to have fun and always have a positive attitude no matter what. I also have learned to love everyone and serve with a loving and caring heart.

Rana Clement-Huntsville, AR

The # 1 thing the Lord has showed me this year was how to lovingly minister through relationships. Every relationship we have differs in the way love is ministered, and all of these ways to love flow from a personal revelation of God's love for us.



Daniel Anima-Spearman, TX

My relationship with God has exponentially grown this year. I have established a pattern of prayer, so when I feel inadequate, I go to Him to be replenished. I know that God has chosen me to preach the Gospel and I trust Him to empower me the whole way.- Dan Corral-Joplin,MO.



Here at AFBC, I've seen God move not just around me, but in me. For instance, people who know me know that I like music. I found myself wanting more worship in my playlist. He's been changing my heart to do better things.-Cooper Oakes- Joplin, MO



AFBC has given me time to grow with God in so many ways! He cut my pride and gave me confidence in who He says I am. He showed me that it's ok to be goofy and girly while serving and living free in Him. I learned that mentors are great, but I really need the Holy Spirit to teach His Word to me.

Courtney Derixson -Alvin, TX



This year I have increased my ability to lead others and I have embraced the opportunity to disciple and serve others. I learned to be the light to others in a group or situation when things seem dark or frustrating. I've learned to be bold for the

Lord and be salt and light we are called to be.

Ivan Caro- Spearman' TX

This year the Lord has taught me the importance of my secret place. My personal time with Jesus and obedience to wherever the Holy Spirit leads, will be the only thing that sets me up for success in my daily life,-



Rebecca Gregg-Shawnee, OK

### Visitor at the AFBC Archives



Dr. Larry Martin of River of Revival Ministries in Duncan, Oklahoma recently visited the AFBC Archives Department. Brother Martin used to live and minister in the Four State area several years ago. It was very nice to see him again and visit with him. He is working on a book and can be contacted for information on his ministries at:

River of Revival Ministries, Inc.-P.O. Box 5-Duncan, Oklahoma 73534

850-712-0397

[www.drlarrymartin.org](http://www.drlarrymartin.org)

[www.pentecostalgold.com](http://www.pentecostalgold.com)

[www..azusastreet.org](http://www..azusastreet.org)

### Midway Country Church 75th Anniversary

The Midway Country Church at Logan, OK has rescheduled the 75th (which is now 76th) Anniversary of the church since it had to be cancelled last year. It will take place on Sept. 12, 2021 at the church.

For more information you may contact Gus Backwell at 580-461-0999 or Randall Bensch at 806-339-5206.



### 2021 AFBC Scholarship



Several years ago a scholarship fund, supported by donations, was started at AFBC for graduates who have completed two years of Biblical studies.

This year Cortney Derixson daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Bill Derixson of Alvin, Texas was presented her scholarship by Randall Bensch of Laverne, OK at the closing exercises at AFBC.

Pray for this young lady as she continues to spread the Word of God as she continues her education.

## 2021 4-State Youth Camp

### “Treasure Hunt”

The kids who came to Junior Camp were the most fun and I couldn't have asked for a better group. The theme for the week was “TREASURE HUNT” and all the campers were eager to join the search. Proverbs 2: 1-5 prompts us to search for treasure, right? Emily



and Josiah Pulsifer, Kadence and Nikole Dorris, Tyler French and RyLee Buschman performed skits every day, following the confused antics of some brave explorers who took Proverbs 2 a bit too literally. That was one stop in a 3 group rotation, the other 2 stops were memory verse with Crystal and Kileah and arts and crafts with Tristan Warren. Our night speaker was Pastor Bobby Thomas from Grace Chapel and he also stayed and worked as a counselor.

I couldn't have pulled off Junior Camp without the aid of my aunt, Angela Dorris and my mom, Julie Pulsifer. And a special thanks to Stacey Bard for all her help. My mom and aunt were the primary cooks for Junior Camp and they really spoiled us with the best home cooking. I had the dream team of camp workers and I'm so thankful to every worker because all of you were imperative to what God did at Junior Camp. Many children gave their hearts to God during our prayer times and even more testified that God touched their hearts. As the days went by, I feel so many of them really found the “Treasure” the Bible was telling us to search for and that's the knowledge of our Father and how much He loves us. I pray that since the kids have gone home, they continue to seek Him like silver.

Abbey Pulsifer– Junior Camp Director

### “MOVE”



Our Senior Camp theme was MOVE! We focused on God's love moving our hearts toward Him, moving on from our past and moving forward in Christ. We were blessed with a great group of workers and campers. Austin Labauch, Tyler French, Cody Harris and Bobby Dale Thomas preached at our morning services and Mark Sumler preached the evening services; all did a great job inviting the Holy Spirit to move. Travis Bard gave a short devotion in the morning for personal

prayer time. Many campers and workers said the morning prayer was their favorite time of the day! Leah Reed did an amazing job with our games rally in the afternoon and of course, Angela Dorris kept the pop stand in perfect order! Cody and Kaylan Harris did great rallies before supper and Abbey and Emily Pulsifer rocked the dorm reports as usual! I personally was blessed by our cooks! Travis Bard cooked our breakfast meal, Tristan and Earlene from Camp Joy church in Columbus, KS cooked our lunches, with the churches cooking our evening meals! I cannot say enough about Shelly Mullins, who brought her years of experience to help out all day, every day (with her sidekick Don of course)! No camp would be complete without “Grandma Karen's mac and cheese” which always blesses the kids... and workers too! Also, Josiah Pulsifer brought his skills for an incredible drum solo, which is also a camp tradition, followed by a jam session with Seth Zerber on lead guitar, Tyler French on drums and Josiah Pulsifer on bass. We all enjoyed Brian Harris coming to play a late night game of Ships and sailors and our last night game of The Fugitive which Jaiden Dorris finally won after about 2 hours because Adrian Reyes was hidden so well! I know many young people were brought closer to Jesus and experienced His love, hope and peace. It was such a blessing to hear all of the testimonies of how the Lord met with and changed many lives! Praise God! That is the only reason so many people gave their time and money to invest in these teens! I thank God for every worker who sacrificed to make Sr. Camp a success! All praise and glory be to our God!

Julie Pulsifer, Angela Dorris, Stacey Bard, Cody Harris and a lot of other people who all worked together to direct camp!

## Which Way Did God Go?

Isaiah 30:21- And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

Christians struggle with hearing from God for many reasons. Such as, they are confused if the thought is theirs or God speaking, they wait until urgency hits them to begin seeking God in haste, they have not learned His voice by reading His Word, and they have not sought the experience of the multitude of aged believers. Seldom does God speak in audible voice, yet He has spoken volumes in the scriptures. He has promised that the seeker would find Him, and often it is through the revelation of the scriptures.

Psalms 119:105 tells us that, "God's Word is a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path". God has given us complete directions. As our headlights show only the path ahead and not the whole journey, so God gives us enough light for the next left or right. If you wait for the vision of the whole journey to take one, you will never make any progress at all. God knows what revelation we can handle and will not give us more that we can bear. For most of us, too much insight will only cause fear, panic, rushing ahead, or desiring to make our own way. It is safer for us to know the directions as we need to know them.

All of us get anxious about taking the right job, marrying the right spouse, going to the right college, and a host of other decisions we will make. God tells us to be anxious for nothing but pray about everything. He tells us to pray without ceasing. Why? God wants you to learn His voice because that is what reveals the way He wants you to walk. God doesn't reveal everything all the time. Many decisions are yours to make. If God wants to change your directions, He will disquiet your spirit. If your direction needs to take a left or right, He will guide you. If you miss His voice guiding you, He will send confirmation in various ways. God is sovereign over all His creation and governs in the affairs of men. He can turn the heart of kings and He can direct you. The blessing in discerning His voice is the relationship we can have with the Lord.

Get into God's Word and seek God. The more you do the more God will reveal Himself to you. Seek Him before trouble comes. Learn to follow God's voice day in and day out. When the days of major decisions come, you will have the calm assurance God is with you and directing your steps. When the way gets hard, rough, or steep; you won't doubt God's ability to get you through in victory.

By Rev. Bill Derixson

Alvin, Texas



### *Slavens-Walker Marriage*

Shane and Robin Slavens of Neosho, MO are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter, Breanna Renee Slavens to Brek Peyton Walker. He is the son of Jason and Kali Bard of Seneca, MO.

The couple were united in holy matrimony on Friday March 19, 2021 at the Silver Spoon Barn in Joplin, MO. The ceremony was performed by Breanna's uncle and their pastor, Rev. Brian Moser.

The couple currently reside in Joplin, MO and attend Southside Apostolic Faith Church in Joplin, MO.



## Our Waymaker- by Julie Pulsifer

My heart is so full with thankfulness and praise to God, our Waymaker. As many of you know, our general fund for 4-State Youth camp was entirely depleted as we had to replace our pump in our well at the campground. As Angela Dorris and I went around to the churches to talk about camp I wore my Waymaker shirt as an act of faith for the Lord's provisions. I was believing by faith that we would not only raise enough money to pay for our 2021 Jr. and Sr. camp expenses, but for our pump as well! And did the Lord show Himself strong and faithful! Yes, and above and beyond our expectations! Every church sent their best offerings with one writing a check to pay for the entire pump I want say a HUGE thank you to every church and individual who heard God's voice and was obedient to it!.I am so pleased to report that our donations came in just below \$13,000.00!! I want to say a HUGE Thank You to every church and individual who heard God's voice and was obedient to it! I also want to say a HUGE thank you to all the people who gave up their Saturdays to come to our camp work days. You encouraged us and we could NOT have done it without you. We had an amazing group of workers for both Junior and Senior camp, representing 10 churches. The meals were so good and we are so thankful for all who cooked in the kitchen at camp and the churches that provided meals! It really is better when are all are doing the Lord's work together. I truly feel so blessed and honored by all of your giving! I know the Lord will greatly bless each and everyone of you!

### 4 State Youth Camp Board:

Daniel Bard

Brett Hill

Julie Pulsifer

### Minister's Directory Additions and Corrections

#### Engler, Terence & Brenda

2009 Windsor Lane

Liberal, KS 67901

Phone; 620-624-5729

Cell: 620-655-1738

Pastor: Trinity Faith Church

Website: [www.trinityliberal.com](http://www.trinityliberal.com)

Email: [terryendler1956@gmail.com](mailto:terryendler1956@gmail.com)

#### Cook, Shari

5930 S. Brookside Lane

Battlefield, MO 65619

Phone- 417-434-5463



Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you” and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Matthew 28:19-20

William Purinton of Kansas City, KS, was involved in theological education in South Korea from 2003 until 2020. Serving on the faculty at Seoul Theological University and preaching in Korean churches, William is committed to theological education in the Pentecostal tradition.

After a radical conversion experience with the Jesus Movement in Kansas City, William joined the U.S. Army and served two tours in South Korea as a chaplains assistant. With the help of the GI bill, he completed his undergraduate studies at the University of Kansas in religious studies. Next, he studied

Missiology at Nazarene Theological Seminary and church history at both Lincoln Christian Seminary and Christian Theological Seminary, earning 3 master’s degrees. It was in his missionology classes at NTs that he heard clearly the call to mission, studying under the mentoring of pioneer and veteran Nazarene missionaries. During this time he met Kumok, and they were married and began to serve together in church ministries in Illinois.

With a desire to be prepared for a teaching ministry in the theological education, Will earned a Ph. D. in theological studies at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. After terms teaching at Korea Nazarene University and Asian Center for Theological Studies and Mission, he joined the faculty at Seoul Theological University, where he taught church history from 2008 until his retirement in 2020.

After their return to the USD, the Purintons began an appointment with the Missouri Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. It was during the first year back in the USA that Kumok was hospitalized with breathing difficulties. She had been struggling with lupus for the past 20 years and was placed on a ventilator and passed away on Christmas Day 2020.

July 1, 2021 Will began a new appointment with Wesley UMC in Saint Joseph, MO. William was ordained in 1996 with the International Pentecostal Holiness Church and continues as a minister in good standing with that denomination, although he currently serves as a minister in a Methodist congregation. William continues to pray for and plan opportunities to teach on a global scale. Currently he teaches Global Christianity online at Columbia International University (Columbia, SC).

Through William’s doctoral research on Pentecostal history and theology, he came in contact with the Apostolic Faith (Baxter Springs, KS). The example of Charles Fox Parham and the Topeka Revival has inspired him to remain committed to both the message of holiness and Spirit baptism, and it is through these experiences that he continues to teach students from America, Africa and Asia to remain faithful to the gospel.



In 2017 Bro. Purinton gave a presentation at Hansei University (Korean Assemblies of God). He was seated in the 1st row on the right of Dr. David Yonggi Cho, founding pastor of the world’s largest church (Yoido Full Gospel Church in Seoul, S. Korea).

Bro. Purinton has received the Apostolic Faith Report for many years including the time he spent in South Korea. It has been a blessing and pleasure to get to know him through the mail. May God’s blessings continue to be on his ministries.— Karen Oakes—Editor

## ***Books Available***

***Apostolic Faith Report***

***P.O. Box 653***

***Baxter Springs, KS 66713***

***417-434-6245***

Life of Charles F. Parham - \$20.00

by Sarah Parham

Voice Crying in The Wilderness- \$10.00

by Charles Parham

Selected Sermons- \$10.00

by Robert Parham

Everlasting Gospel- \$10.00

By Charles Parham

Bible Doctrine-\$10.00

By Jacob Regeir

Out In The Fields With God- \$5.00

By Pearl Menke

Prophecy Study Guide-\$ 10.00

By Lyndel Arnall

Revelation Study Guide—\$10.00

By Lyndel Arnall

## **Youth Summit**

Apostolic Faith Bible College

July 29-31

## **AFBC 2021 Fall Semester**

Orientation— August 20, 2021

For more information contact:

Brian Harris

P.O. Box 110

Baxter Springs, KS 66713

620-856-3282

afbiblecollege@gmail.com



*And it shall  
come to  
pass, that before they call, I  
will answer; and while they  
are yet speaking, I will  
hear.*

*Isaiah 65:24*

## *In Memory*



### **Rev. M.D. Methvin– 1927-2021**

Merritt Dixon “Doc” Methvin of Rockdale , TX and Follett, TX passed away on April 30, 2021 at 94 years of age. He was born on March 29,1927 in Centerpoint, TX to Gordon Tal-don and Clara Gertrude (Dixon) Methvin.

Doc volunteered for duty in the United States Army and entered service on March 2,1946 at C Pickett, VA as PFC Co.E.9th Infantry. He was a light mortar crewman 607 and quali-fied with the MMM-1 rifle. He received the Victory Medal and lapel button for Fur Mil Trng. He was honorably discharged on April 14, 1947 at Ft. Lewis, WA.

On June 24, 1948 Merritt “Doc” married Juanita Mears and they were married for 65 years until her passing. Doc worked as a Labtech for Dow Chemical when God called him into the ministry in the Apostolic Faith movement. Never looking back, he resigned Dow Chemical and answered the call to be a minister. The Holy Spirit inspired Doc and Juanita to minister the gospel however they could. They started as gospel workers in a revival at Centerpoint, TX, then into the ministry as Pastors of the Apostolic Faith Church in Snyder, TX then Galena, KS; Laverne, OK; Follett, TX and Rockdale, TX, as well as many Evangelistic services across the movement. Doc also served as Superintendent of the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, KS for years where they both taught. Doc taught Doctrine class and was editor of the Apostolic Faith Report with Brother Gail Schultz; working in youth camps, camp meetings, revivals and Daily Vacation Bible Schools. While pastoring, he helped build the camp ground in Baxter Springs, KS and the church at Laverne, OK. Doc was a prolific and inspired teacher of The Chart of the Ages . A Spirit filled, Spirit led preacher of the Apostolic Faith Doctrine. He loved the Lord with all of his heart and loved people. He touched, mentored, and inspired so many lives everywhere he went. He was outgoing, loved to laugh, joke and tease. He was a sportsman, loving the ministry first, but also loved hunting and fish-ing, and his bird dogs. He loved and provided for his family, taught himself to paint and do finish work and was great at it. He used that as way to reach people and was a strength and blessing to everyone. You just couldn’t have a family reunion without Uncle Doc.

Everywhere they ministered they humbled themselves to the leading of the Spirit and God blessed tremendously with souls saved and lives changed. The churches grew in their 65 years of ministry.

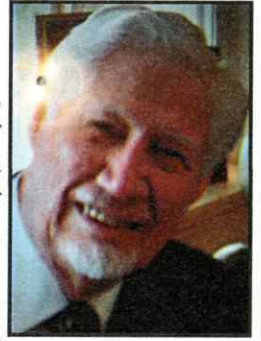
After Juanita passed, Doc retired, but not from ministering. He started a prayer ministry and then ministered to staff and residents alike at Rockdale Estates. His smile and laugh were infectious. He could dish it out (joke) as well as he could take it, but you seldom could get one over on him.

Doc and Juanita were blessed with three sons; Duane Dixon, Barry Lynn and Ronald Otis. Doc was preceded in death by the love of his life Juanita Mears Methvin, parents, two sons; Duane Methvin and Ronnie Methvin, four brothers, one sister and other family members of both sides of his marriage. He leaves as survivors; a son Barry (Kathy) Methvin of Rockdale, TX, daughters -in -law Marlese Methvin of Goodwell, OK and Judy Methvin of Guymon, OK . grandchil-dren: Brooke (Nick) Tuttle, Kim (Troy) Hirt, Angie (fiancé Brandon Calk) Methvin, Levi (Vanessa) Methvin, 14 great grandchildren and 2 great -great grandchildren; sisters- in- law: Roberta Methvin, Doris Mears, Helen McAllister and brother -in -law Keith McAllister, a bunch of nieces, nephews and a host of extended family and friends.

Funeral services were held at the Follett High School Auditorium on May 6, 2021 with Rev. Barry Methvin and Rev. Gaylon Flora officiating. Interment followed at the Fairmont Cemetery in Follett, TX.

## **Alvin L. Barker- 1928-2021\**

Alvin Lee Barker passed to his heavenly home at the age of 92 on April 16,2021 to join Anna, his beloved wife of 63 years. Alvin is survived by son Kenneth Lee of Bixby, OK; daughter Kathy Barker Chadwick of Sand Springs, OK; and brother Ted Barker and sister-in-law Deanna Barker of Fort Worth, TX. He is survived by grandchildren Nathan Chadwick, Hannah Barker Carey, Ben Steinke; great-grandchildren, Kaley Carr, Reese and Asher Chadwick, Olivia Riley, Fionna and Hamish Carey.



Alvin was born Nov. 2, 1928 to Velma and Jack Barker, and they made their home in Laverne, OK and he was soon joined by siblings Lavonda and Ted. While attending school, Alvin served as high school president for 3 years and was honored as senior salutatorian. He also played on the school football, basketball and baseball teams, and operated a dairy, to provide milk for Laverne grocery stores. Following high school, Alvin attended college at Oklahoma A & M (now OSU) in Stillwater, after which he operated the family farm at Laverne.

He was engaged to Anna Ruth Scott in August, 1949, and they were married from Dec. 15, 1949, until she joined her Heavenly Father March 31,2013. This union resulted in the birth of Kenneth Lee and Kathy Ann. Alvin then became an accountant for Groendyke Transport in Liberal, KS.

The family moved to Magnolia, AR in 1967 for Alvin to complete a college degree Cum Laude from Southern Arkansas University, and earn his Public Accounting Certificate. Upon graduation he accepted a position as Treasurer and Accountant for Morrison Engineers in Houston, TX living in nearby Alvin, TX. He later accepted a job in Tulsa, OK as Controller and Treasurer for Trigen Oklahoma..

Alvin and Anna both were persons of faith in Jesus Christ throughout their lives and Alvin served as a Deacon in various churches in Kansas, Arkansas, Texas and Oklahoma.

## **Nancy D. Wilcox- 1971-2021**



Nancy D. Wilcox,50,of Joplin, MO passed away on April 17,2021. She was born Feb.19,1971 to Diane (Coleman) and Robert Hasbrook. Nancy had worked as a registration clerk for St. John's Hospital and currently a home school teacher. She enjoyed cooking, teaching, flowers, animals and especially loved her family. Nancy was a member of Southside Apostolic Faith Church of Joplin, MO.

She and Randy Wilcox married Jan,11,1977 in Neosho, MO and he survives of the home. Additional survivors are children, Daniel Wilcox and Sarah Wilcox of Joplin,, MO; her father and step- mother, Robert and Gayle Hasbrook of Bartlesville, OK, her mother and step-father, Diane and Ron Giftner of Joplin, MO; one step brother Michael Giftner, one sister Connie Cook and husband Brian of Neosho, MO and one step-sister Lori Ellicott and husband Tom of Carterville, MO.

Memorial services were held on Friday, April 23, 2021 at Southside Apostolic Faith Church with Pastor Brian Moser officiating.

## **Peggy L. Rustin-1956-2021**

Peggy Lee Rustin, age 65, of Webb City, MO, passed away on Saturday, April 24, 2021, at her home, following courageous battles with multiple lifelong illnesses. Peggy was born on Feb. 19,1956 in Southwest City, MO, the daughter of Henry and Eloise (Crosby) Smith. Peggy was very faithful to God. At eight years of age, during a Vacation Bible School, she was saved. She loved junior and youth camp meetings She graduated from McDonald County High School in 1974. She then attended Midwest Bible Institute in Houston, TX. She attended Southside Apostolic Faith Church in Joplin, MO and Community Baptist Church in Noel, MO. (next page)

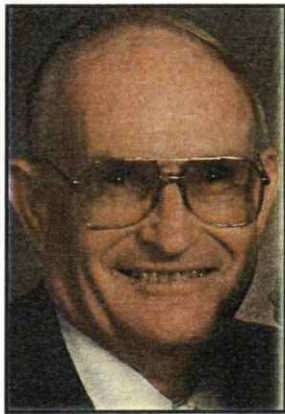


**Peggy Rustin** (con't) Peggy married the love of her life, Larry Rustin on August 5, 1977 in Anderson, MO, Together they were blessed with two daughters. She home schooled her daughters, Lauren and Rachel. She was a devoted wife, mother and "Nana"., She loved being a homemaker and baking and cooking. She was a friend to many and dearly loved by her family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Rustin of Webb City, MO; two daughters Lauren Manning and husband Joshua, Noel, MO, and Rachel Stemm and husband, Andrew, Joplin, MO; her mother , Eloise Smith, Anderson, MO; one sister Patsy Loncarish and husband James, Goodman, MO; four special sisters-in-law, Linda Rustin-Reardon, Evelyn Reardon, Randy Brown and Robin Raulston; and five grandchildren , Emma, Luke, Claire, Ryan and Jack. She was preceded in death by her father, Henry Smith in Oct. 2020 and sisters-in law, Kathy Pogue and Rita Anderson.

Services were held on April 28, 2021 at the Mason Woodard Chapel with Rev. Alvin Buschman and Rev. Kendall Glenn officiating. Interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery in Webb City, MO.

*Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; ( for he is faithful that promised). Hebrews 10:23.*



### **Forrest L. Oakes- 1929-2021**

The family of Forrest Lee Oakes, known by all as Lee, sadly announces that he passed away on Thursday, May 20th at the Solace House of Joplin, MO, after suffering a series of strokes which began on May 16th. Lee was born Jan. 31, 1929, in McDonald County, MO to George Lester Oakes and Eva Mae Leon (Forbes) Oakes. Lee met Mary Kathryn Cook, whom he married and loved and enjoyed life with her until her passing on Dec. 11, 2015. Lee and Mary's union was blessed with 5 children; Carol (Gaytha) Oakes of Hohenwald, TN; Iletha (Mark) Bard of Tipton, Ford, M; Garold Oakes, who preceded him in death on May 3, 1975; Darrel Oakes, who preceded him in death on Jan. 1, 2020, wife Paula of Joplin, MO and Anita Oakes, significant other , Phillip Glades of Joplin, MO. He was also grandfather to Travis (Stacey) Bard , Carl Junction, MO, Glenn (Carrie) Oakes, Grant (Leslie) Bard, Jacob (Charity) Oakes, Abby (Keith) Buschman all of Joplin, MO and Darla Oakes of Baxter Springs, KS; 12 great grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. He was also blessed to be survived by his brother Dennie (Karen) Oakes of Joplin, MO. He was predeceased in death by his brother, Emery Oakes and sister, Gladys Wynona Lindquist, both of Joplin, MO,. He is also survived by his brother-in laws, Vernie Cook and family of Neosho, MO and Earnest Cook and family of Longview, MO.

Having living without his wife, since 2015, Lee recently met Majorie Yokely and they were married May 8, 2021 with the marriage sadly ending with his death. Finally, Lee is survived by an extended family of nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, brothers and sisters in Christ and friends, in such great numbers they are impossible to name.

Lee attended schools in McDonald County, Missouri and after completing his educational years, worked all his adult life in sales; and is fondly and affectionally known as " The Jewel Tea Man", as he worked for Jewel Tea Companies until his retirement. Lee also ministered for many years in his church by teaching Sunday School classes and additionally teaching on prophecy. He traveled and sang with Caanan Bound for many years and his last musical ministry was with Jerry Segal out of Neosho, MO.

Funeral services for Lee were held at Southside Apostolic Faith Church on May 25, 2021 with grandson Travis Bard and Pastor Brian Moser officiating. Grandchildren served as pall bearers and interment followed at Union Cemetery , McDonald County, Missouri.



### **Della A. McGuire-1936-2021**

Della A. (Kincade). McGuire,85, was the youngest of eleven children born August 3,1935 to Albert (Bert) Lincoln Kincade and Bessie Jane (Morrison) Kinkade. Born in Galena, KS, Della lived most of her life there until moving to Parsons, Ks in 2018 to be near her son and daughter-in-law. She attended school in Galena and graduated from Galena High in 1953.Della passed away on June 10, 2021. She will be lovingly remembered by all.

On July 28,1953 Della married Max E. McGuire in Columbus, KS. They were blessed with 46 years of marriage. He preceded her in death on January 21, 1999.

Della loved her family immensely and had a heart for all children. She ran a daycare in her home for many years and especially delighted in rocking and holding babies! She was a Cub Scout den mother for her son's group and later enjoyed working the voting polls during elections, bowling, dancing and listening to music (especially Elvis) were just some of the things she enjoyed. Working in the kitchen at the Apostolic Faith Bible College was one of her yearly summer activities, and she was a member of the Apostolic Faith Church in Baxter Springs, KS at the time of her death.

She played a big part in the lives of many, opening her home and heart to care for them full time. Some special people in her life were Margaret and David Earl Frazier, Jasyn, Dalaina, Hunttyr, Cartyr, Lexy, Lyndsy, Jadyr and Gunnyr Smith as well as her nieces and nephews.

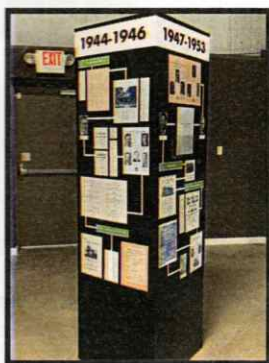
She is survived by her son, Keith McGuire and his wife Kathy of Parsons, Ks; two grandchildren, Erin Hooper and husband Daniel of Adrian, MO and Ben McGuire of Parsons, KS; three great-grandchildren, Kailee, Ariana and Tate Hooper; two sisters, Dorothy Walton and Frances Cooper. In addition to her parents and husband, Della was preceded in death by 5 sisters, Thelma( Denzil) Walker, Katy (Art) Spivy, Marguerite (Woody) Evans, Betty (Wayne) Moore and Rayma (Dick) Trombley; 3 brothers, Alford Kincade, Roy (marie) Kincade and Paul Kincade; a grandson Kyle McGuire.

Funeral services were held on June 14, 2021 at the Apostolic Faith Chapel in Baxter Springs, KS with Pastor Cody Harris officiating. Burial was in the Lowell Cemetery at Baxter Springs, KS.

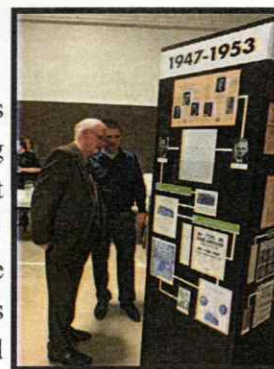
### *Psalm 1*

- 1.Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.
2. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.
- 3.And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.
4. The ungodly are not so; but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.
5. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
6. For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous, but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

## Faithful Through the Ages



We were glad to be able to, once again, host the Alumni and Friends Banquet on the AFBC Campus after being unable to last year during the pandemic. This year was even more special because the banquet dinner was Bro. Jim Boyd's famous BBQ and served by the 2020-2021 students. Another thing that made it special was because this year we were also celebrating 75 years of God's faithfulness at AFBC in this location. God has been so faithful through the ages to provide for and bless our school and His people in so many ways. The banquet and graduation gatherings were a time to give thanks to God for all He has done.



The banquet was held on Thursday evening, May 6th, 2021, to a crowd of over 100. The Brandon Dorris Band provided entertainment for the evening and Superintendent Brian Harris, thanked donors, reminding us of the importance of monthly supporters. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful meal and looking at columns created by the AFBC staff which chronicled AFBC history from 1946 to 2021.

We too want to take this opportunity to thank the Lord and His faithful people for making a Christian education at AFBC possible for our students. God's faithfulness extended through faithful people, faithfully doing the work of the Lord! Thank You! May the Lord continue to bless you and keep you in the years to come.

More pictures can be found on the AFBC Alumni & Friends Facebook page.

Cheryl Moser

