College Vibrations On Tour



Left to Right: Sharolyn Cox, Gail Kendrick, Superintendent Jack Cornell, Rhonda Sanger, Garold Oakes and Nyla Smith

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EDITORIAL....

It's All In How You Look At It-Try The UPLOOK

"It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is Thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in Him. The Lord is good unto them that wait for Him, to the soul that seeketh Him. It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord." Lamentations 3:22-26

When Things Go Wrong

Do not spend your time in fretting;
Spend it rather in forgetting
Little things that wound you so
Do not let the whole world know
That you'd rather set a-grieving
When you might be out relieving
Pain and care. Rise up, be true!
Just find something good to do.

When your days are full of sighing,
Don't give up, but keep on trying
Some good cause to help along,
You will soon forget the wrong
That the dismal days are bringing,
If you time your work to singing.
When your skies are dark in hue,
Just find something good to do.

When your life seems full of trouble,
Pain and care will always double,
If you talk about your woes;
Also will your skies disclose
Brighter tints upon the morrow,
When the lessons taught by sorrow
Help instead of hinder you.
Just find something good to do.

Spend no time in dull repining;
Everywhere the sun is shining.
And the future ways are bright,
If we truly see aright.
Life is what we make it truly,
And 'twill seldom go unruly
If the right course we pursue—
Just find something good to do.

Selected

When the OUTLOOK isn't good try the UPLOOK. Circumstances shouldn't dictate the Christian's spiritual temperature. We can have a song in our hearts in the darkest night and there is always someone around us who needs our smile, our word of encouragement, our prayers, our listening ear, our understanding and our love. All of us can give these things regardless of our abilities or the circumstances that surround us. If we can't get out, we can use the telephone or write letters and notes of cheer. We used to see the slogan around "Smile, God Loves You!" but I don't notice it so much of late. A smile works both ways it makes the person at whom you smile feel better and it makes you feel good inside. If anyone in the world should be happy it should be the child of God. Yet too many so called Christians are too often singing the blues. Keep your eyes on Jesus, sing a song, smile, do something good for someone else; your day will be brighter and your troubles lighter. Jesus is coming soon -- try the UPLOOK your OUTLOOK will definitely improve. Try it and you'll see.

Crosses, Arkansas

The Lord has really been so good to us and we praise Him for all of His blessings. We have a new youth director, Dwayne and Donna Foster. We would desire an interest in your prayers for this new work. We had a wonderful revival with Bro. Winston Barker the first part of April. We are really looking forward to having the Bible School Vibrations on the 28th of April.

Bro. Bob and Mikki Russell, Pastors

Church Growth... Your Responsibility

What attracts people to a church? A convenient location? Yes. A good speaker in the pulpit? Yes. Inspiring music? Yes. An attractive building? Yes. But the key element in attracting visitors, new-comers, and prospective members is friendliness in the pews. Where there is a warm, dynamic congregation with an enthusiasm that is contagious, visitors in large numbers are usually found. Check on yourself to see if you leave an impression of friendliness on the part of the entire church.

1. Do you always sit in the same place, regardless of whether there are visitors to be welcomed?

2. Do you get up and go across the church to meet new visitors and ask them to sit with you and your family?

3. Do you introduce the visitor to others in the church?

4. Do you introduce yourself to people that you do not know by name and ask them their name if they do not volunteer to tell you?

5. Do you follow through with your first show of friendliness by inviting the new person or family to drop by for coffee and cake or a friendly evening's visit?

6. Do you call the newcomer during the week and offer to stop by and take them with you to Wednesday night worship?

7. Do you invite the new person to social activities of the church or its Sunday School?

8. Do you phone Sunday afternoon or Monday to tell the first-time visitor that you enjoyed his visit and hope that he will come again?

9. Do you encourage your children or teenagers to call the children of visiting families and invite them over to visit?

10. Do you continue your show of friendliness, or do you forget them after one little speech?

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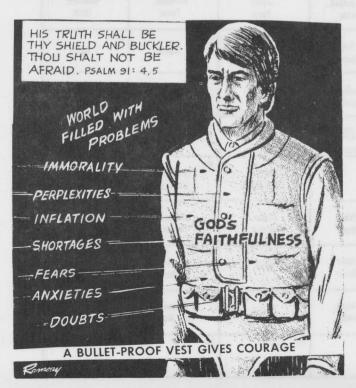
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RATIONALIZATIONS HINDERING A CLEAR CONSCIENCE

One on the hardest deaths to die is the death to pride. The mind is ingenious at devising reasons which will circumvent or postpone death to pride. Anyone who has ever experienced making things right will clearly remember the many reasons or excuses he had for not really having to go back to ask for forgiveness. Here are a few common rationalizations.

- 1. "It happened a long time ago."
- 2. "The one I wronged has moved away."
- 3. "It was such a small offense."
- 4. "Things have gotten better."
- 5. "I'm just being too sensitive."
- 6. "No one's perfect.
- 7. "They won't understand."
- 8. "Making it right will involve money which I don't have." 9. "I'll do it later."
- 10. "I'll only do it over again."
- 11. "The other person was mostly wrong."
- 12. "My parents won't understand."
- 13. "I'll leave the worst offense until last."
- 14. "If I promise not to do it again, won't that be enough?"
- 15. "They're not Christians-what will they think?"
- 16. "If I go back, it will get my friend in trouble."

"Our sole defense, our only weapon, is a life of integrity, whether we meet honour or dishonour, praise or blame. Called 'imposters' we must be true, called 'nobodies' we must be in the public eye. Never far from death, yet here we are alive, always 'going through it' yet never 'going under'" "We know sorrow, yet our joy is inextinguishable. We have nothing to bless ourselves with, yet we bless many others with true riches. We are penniless, AND YET in reality we have everything worth having." Corinthians 6:8-10.



WALK A LITTLE PLAINER DADDY

Walk a little plainer daddy Said a little boy so frail I'm following in your footsteps And I don't want to fail Sometimes the steps are very plain Sometimes they are hard to see So walk a little plainer daddy For you are leading me.

I know that once you walked this way many years ago And what you did along the way I'd really like to know For sometimes when I am tempted I don't know what to do So walk a little plainer daddy For I must follow you.

Someday when I'm grown up You are like I want to be Then I will have a little boy Who will want to follow me And I would want to lead him right And help him to be true So walk a little plainer daddy For we must follow you.

WHAT IS PEACE?

It's calmness when the trials press; It's confidence that God knows best; It's gentleness that's undisturbed; It's a holy hush that's unperturbed; It's a quiet place as on we plod; It's a sweet reliance on our God.

THE BLESSINGS THAT REMAIN

There are loved ones who are missing, from the fireside and the feast. There are faces that have vanished, There are voices that have ceased; But ye know they passed for ever from our mortal grief and pain, And we thank Thee O, our Father, For the blessings that remain.

Thanks given, O, thanks given, That their lives once blessed us here, That so long they walked beside us, Sharing every smile and tear; For the joy the past has brought us, But can never take away, For the sweet and gracious memories Growing dearer every day.

For the faith that keeps us patient Looking at the things unseen, Knowing spring shall follow winter And the earth again be green For the hope of that glad meeting Far from mortal grief and pain We thank thee O, our Father For the blessings that remain.

Anna Johnson Flint Used January 2, 1975. In memory of Bro. John Peacock.



OBITUARY OF ESTHER MAGDALENE HANSEN

Esther Magdalene Hansen was born in Copenhagen, Denmark on April 20, 1880, the fourth of twelve children. She came to the United States when she was about one year old. Esther Hansen and Richard Owen Mason were married in Ethel, Mo. in 1899.

This young couple came to the new Oklahoma Territory then known as No Man's Land and proved up a homestead southeast of Hardesty, Oklahoma. They made their living from the soil and were blessed with nine children. She was preceded in death by three children and her husband. Dolly, age 4½ months, 1909; Eva Bell age 12, 1925; Leo, age 68, 1968; Richard (husband) age 61, 1942.

Their hardships and their joys are a separate story, and it is well-known that this Pioneer maintained her home and attended the Apostolic Church until her death.

She is survived by six children: three daughters, Mrs. Roma (Hazel) DeBow of Chehalis, Wash.; Mrs. Ray (Margie) Shorb of Hardesty; Mrs. R. C. (Mary) Jones of Hardesty and three sons, Richard Debs of Amarillo, Tex.; Robert K. of Hardesty; and Russell J. of Guymon. Also surviving are 29 grandchildren; 48 great-grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; one sister Eva Richards and one brother Dan Hansen both of Guymon; plus a host of other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Edith Pennell

Mrs. Edith Pennell of Neck City, Mo., 82 years of age, died March 2, 1975 at 3:45 a.m. in St. John's Hospital in Joplin, Mo. She had been a patient there since February 24, 1975. She was born August 2, 1892 in Webb City, Mo. and lived in the surrounding vacinity most of her life. She was a faithful Christian and attended the West Side Purcell Mission.

Her husband, William H. Pennell preceded her in death. Survivors include a foster daughter, Mrs. Linda Rosado, Granite City, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Elsie Tice, of Purcell, Mo. and Mrs. Dovie Sargent of Meca, Arizona; and one brother, Lester Surface, of Houston, Texas.

Services were held in the Hedge Lewis Funeral Home Chapel, Webb City, Mo. at 2 p.m. March 5, 1975. The Pastor, George Hintergardt officiated, assisted by Bro. Carl Pitts. Sis. Naomi Busch and Sis. Kathryn Cornell sang "In the Garden" and "In the Sweet Bye and Bye". Sis. Cornell accompanied them and furnished background organ music.



LELA A. BARFIELD

Mrs. Lela A. Barfield was born at Easterly, Texas November 6, 1901 and departed this life February 25, 1975 at Kerrville, Texas being 73 years old.

She was united in marriage on May 19, 1924 to Elvin Barfield in Center Point, Texas. Last year they observed their Golden Anniversary at their home in Center Point, Texas.

Sister Lela was converted at an early age and accepted the Apostolic Faith Movement doctrine when, the late Rev. Ben Barker, conducted a revival in Center Point in the late '30's. She was a pillar of spiritual strength in the Apostolic Faith Church of Center Point having served as Pastor, Bible Class Teacher, and Secretary-Treasure of the Church. She was active in business and activities of the community. Center Point and the Apostolic Faith Church will greatly miss this outstanding christian citizen.

Funeral services were held in Center Point, Texas. Mr. Barfield Park gave the eulogy. Rev. Donald D. Dibbens presented the Memorial Sermon. Special music by Mrs. Fern Polvado and Rev. Donald D. Dibbens. Graveside services were conducted at the Center Point Cemetery with Rev. Vester Clanton, a former Pastor at Center Point, assisting Rev. Donald D. Dibbens.

Survivors are: her husband, Elvin, of the home. Four sisters: Mrs. W. S. Hoyt of Hearne, Texas; Mrs. Porter Thurman of Austin, Texas; Mrs. Mildred Gibson of Dallas, Texas; and Mrs. George Kayser of Bryan, Texas. One sisterin-law, Mrs. Garrietta Park of Center Point, Texas and a host of friends.



On the second Wednesday of February we greatly enjoyed the service which was held by Bill and Vicki Patterson, which was followed by a housewarming for the Carl Scroggs family. Our church has also been blessed with concerts given by the Judah Singers in which our own Jane Piersall is a member. Our pastors made a quick trip to Katy combining business and pleasure. At our last youth rally, which was held at Liberal, Kansas, we greatly enjoyed seeing the film, "Sound of the Trumpet". Our young people and Juniors have been presenting a service on Sunday afternoons at the Senior Village. We have had a graduates banquet just recently, we are very proud of our five graduating seniors. We urged our people to attend the youth revival conducted by Marlon Sparks at Arnett. Our young people honored two more senior members of our church on their birthdays, they were Sis. Anna Redelsperger and Sis. Gladys Russell. Bro. Floyd LaMunyon's mother, Mrs. Blanche LaMunyon, celebrated her 90th birthday on March 9 and we all honored her with a card shower. Two former Bible School students, Elaine Reeves and Terry Littau exchanged wedding vows on March 1 and we wish this couple the best. Our pastor also attended the Ministers

Harrol Waterbury, Pastor

Seminar at Canyon and enjoyed it very much.

Guymon, Oklahoma

The first Sunday in February we enjoyed listening to the testimony of John Rousch the All-American from OU. We enjoyed having a teachers' training course in February on Sunday School teacher, Good News Club teacher, and Childrens Church sponsor. These sessions were taught by Ross White, Texas State Child Evangelism Fellowship Director at the Trinity Baptist Church. Our church supported the Billy Graham film "A Time to Run" while it was in Guymon. On one Wednesday night Rev. Winston Barker of the Missions to Mexico presented a special Missionary service. The Lord has blessed us with a new class for singles and careers, which is taught by Bill Patterson and they had 15 in class for the first meeting.

Edwin Modrick, Pastor

April, 1975

Rockdale, Texas

Bro. Ted Barker assisted by Shari Cook, Carolyn Quesenbury and Rick French were at the Rockdale Church in February for a revival. Bro. Barker brought some wonderful messages and his helpers provided us with some beautiful singing. The Church was really blessed and encouraged.

Our pastor, Bro. Van Blythe, is in charge of the South Texas Youth Camp this year, and he is busy working on the plans. He desires the prayers of all Christians and feels God will bless us in our efforts. Bro. Bob Ressel was returned to his seat on the board just recently. (The Rockdale Church Board). He along with our other board members, Bro. E. B. Coldiron and Bro. James Doty are doing a fine job for the church members, and more importantly, for the Lord.

Pray for all of us here in Rockdale that we may prepare for the coming of our Lord, which can't be too far in the future.

Mrs. Jerry Hosek, Reporter Rockdale Apostolic Faith Church

APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH Galena, Kansas

We were honored to have as our guest speaker January 26th Bro. and Sis. Doyle Wiles in the morning and evening services. God blessed in these services.

Our pastor, Bro. Paul Clanton and his wife Sis. Bonnie were in a week's revival in February with Bro. and Sis. Orval Nunn at Cave Springs, Arkansas. Alvin and Paula Buschman helped in this revival. God gave them a week of good Holy Ghost services.

February 9th, Bro. Carl Pitts preached in our Sunday morning service. Bro. Ted Jackson was in charge of the church while Bro. Paul was in revival. February 16th Bro. and Sis. Delvin Wiles sang and preached for us.

March 5th Sis. Goldie Myers gave us a glorious Bible

lesson which we enjoyed very much.

Sunday morning a group of men from the Gideon association held an early morning prayer meeting in our church then separated to visit the various churches in our town, Bro. and Sis. O. J. Buchanek from Parsons, Kansas represented the Gideons in our service.

God still meets with us and blesses us. We covet your

prayers that we all will be in God's will.

'But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him." Heb. 11:6.

For the prayer list:

Sis. Alva Shamblin Sis. Dorothy Jackson Sis. Tillie Hall Sis. Rita Robinson Sis. Lillus Adams Sis. Josie Webb Sis. Mildred Jackson Bro. Fred Smith Sis. Birdie Noe "Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed but let him glorify God on his behalf." I Peter 4:16.

Bro. Paul Clanton, Pastor Sis. May Rowland, Reporter

Correction

Our apologies for leaving out the Rockdale, Texas, church when we listed the churches that sent in offerings to the Report. The Editor

Laverne, Oklahoma

"O Give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: because his mercy endureth forever." Ps. 118:1 The Lord has been good to the Church of Laverne and we praise Him for his Goodness.

We are moved in and settled in the parsonage. We express our appreciation to the church people for the "new look" they gave the parsonage. They completely remodeled with new carpet throughout, wallpaper, painting and the addition of a utility room. As one can see they worked very hard. May God bless them for their efforts. Open house was held in January for all to see the parsonage. All the church folks came over and cake and punch were served. We are looking forward to some new projects to spruce up our church area.

The Lord has blessed us with some wonderful services that started on New Years Eve Watchnight Service. Bro. Gene Cornell and Bro. Howard Whiteley were the speakers for the evening. We concluded with the Lord's Supper and prayer to see in the New Year.

Some of our recent visitors have been Delvin and Rita Wiles, Bro. Rick French, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Bard, Linda Bard, and Mrs. C. O. Bard. We are happy to say that Bro. Rick French is now living in our city. It is nice to have him and his talents.

Our church youth enjoyed a Valentine's Party planned by Radonna Long and Donna Kinser. These girls have been a big help to me with the Youth service.

The Laverne Church was glad to host the Youth Rally for the month of January. Our church youth had the program "Spritiual Clinic"—"Dr. I-Know-All-The-Symptoms". Those who took part were: Donna Kinser, Radonna Long, David Wofford, Danny Barker, Debbie Stinson, and Leslie Johnson. The church at Shattuck took the attendance banner. It was nice to have the people from Enid with us for this service.

We had a good revival, which started March 5th with Bro. Otto Busch of Baxter Springs, Kansas. The Lord blessed graciously during the 10 day meeting.

As it will soon be D.V.B.S. time, seven of our church ladies recently attended the D.V.B.S. Workshop in Liberal. It was enjoyed by all!

Remember our church in prayer!

Jerome Crowhurst, Pastor Peggy Crowhurst, Reporter

Alvin, Texas

In connection with our desire to pray for God's will to be accomplished in His work we had a twenty-four hour prayer vigil on Sunday, March 9, which began at 2 p.m. that day and concluded on Monday, March 12th, at 2:00 p.m. and we had a fast day March 12th. The month of March was designated as "Child Care Month". We saved our silver coins and gave them to the orphanage in Reynosa, Mexico as a love offering. March 23rd the "Inner Circle" singing group from Houston, blessed our hearts in a special service. We had a business meeting March 12. It is our earnest desire for God's will to be done in all phases of His work.

Jimmie Wallis, Pastor

Dear Ones of the Faith,

We write a hello to all our friends and pray God is blessing as only He can. We appreciate Sister Naomi and her efforts for our Apostolic Faith Report. We enjoyed being in Baxter Springs for the closing of Bible School and were certainly blessed in the services.

On December 30th a group met in McAllen, Texas to begin a tour of what Missions to Mexico is promoting.

December Thirty-first was a day of visiting the Language School of McAllen and crossing the border into Reynosa, Mexico where we are involved in caring for needy children and delinquent boys, Benito Juarez Orphanage, Boy's Ranch, and training of native workers in Bible School. Bible School.

January 1st, 1975 we were about 100 miles across Mexico in Mexico City and Progresso where church service's were great, it was just great to start a new year worshiping the Lord in a foreign country. God really Blessed us as we worshiped Him.

We were back in Reynosa for church by Sunday, January 5th. Since then we have had Missionary Services in Deckson, Perryton, Texas, Hardesty, Gray, Oklahoma, Liberal, Meade, Kansas and at this time in a Revival at Wayside Chapel where Bro. and Sis. Earl Malone are Pastors.

We will be open for revivals or week end services.
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Katy, Texas

We had a great week of Bible Lessons with Bro. Jacob Regier. He stirred our minds and hearts each evening with the Word of God. Sunday, March 9, Cody Allen Fry was dedicated in the morning service and we had a baptismal service that evening. We are thankful that our pastor's wife is at home now after a short stay in the hospital. Our church ladies had a meeting Monday, March 10th at 7 p.m. at the home of Texanna Allen.

G. K. Kerr, Pastor

Shattuck Apostolic Faith Country Church

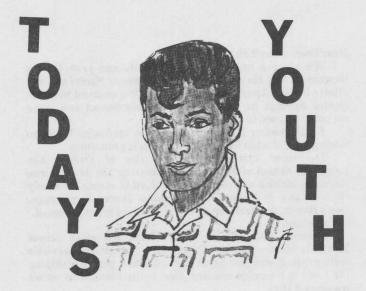
We rejoice in the Lord for His goodness to us at Faith Country Church and for sending our Pastor, Bro. Jim Russell, Kathy and Kristie. God has also sent Gary and Norma Foster, Rhonda Sanger, Nyla Smith and Jimmy Long to work in the church here.

The Spirit of the Lord has been with us in every service. Prayers have been answered and one person has been saved. Bro. Barry Methvin, Bro. Bob and Sis. Hazel Taylor and Bro. Garold Oakes have visited us and ministered to us in sermon and song, for which we are so thankful.

We welcome all brothers and sisters in Christ to stop and visit our services.

We are praying for the Lord's will about a revival in the near future. We covet your prayers.

Rev. Jim Russell, Pastor Paula Taylor, Sec.





Jake Pletcher, Barksdale, Texas

This is a reprint from a September, 1944, A. F. Report. Note how up-to-date the article is, after 30 years, except that TV was not in nearly every home, and drug abuse had not become a widespread problem. Movies have become worse.

Do we understand our youth? Are we able to give them the instruction warning and the encouragement they need?

If we are to see the younger generation brought to Christ and saved from sin, we need first to understand the entanglements they are caught in; also the traps the Devil has laid for the youth of our day.

has laid for the youth of our day.

Youth today has every enticement of sin imaginable before them. They turn the radio on in their home, the highest paid program. The best news cast will be sent out advertising strong drink and tobacco, telling how hospitalable and proper it is to treat friends to these sinful indulgences. The same sins will be advertised and advocated by the leading newspapers and magazines of our land. They will even recommend the cigarette and booze to quiet jittery nerves and brace folks up for the strain of these times.

The youth goes to the modern movie. There the most honorable and idolized class of youth are seen in cheap love affairs, nudeness, adultery and crime, and then exalted as a hero or heroine. In real life, the actor or actress is publicised as people that live with their mate for a year or maybe a month, then try another mate for a few days, and so on through life. Also they are pictured as women that have many affairs with the other woman's husband, then paid the highest wages of any profession.

It is astonishing to know, that about 90% of the professed christians will take or send their children to these places of so called harmless entertainment. In a year or so the reaping day comes with daughter or son staying out until two-thirty or three o'clock in the morning acting the part of

the cheap harlot or the low-down whoremonger.

The true story and true confession magazines and many other novels carry about the same moral standard that the movie industry carries. Too many of our youth are taught and allowed to feed on this kind of rot.

Eph. 6:12 says we would wrestle against spiritual wickedness in high places. Surely this is true today. The political leaders of our nation have legalized these sins by

advertising our youth to drink booze.

In our community each year there is a presidents ball, given in the name of charity and then in the school rooms, our youth is persuaded to attend these dances of death. Our young boys and girls are put in the arms of the hardened sinners. The following days bring to light the fall of our young girls, and the starting to drink and carouse of your boys. Our schools today teach and advocate these same kinds of entertainments that leads our youth into juvenile delinquency.

Today the beer and booze trucks can get all of the gasoline and tires they need to haul their products to the public, also to the army camps of the nation. Our evangelists cannot get gas or tires to carry the unsearchable riches of the gospel of Christ to the nation. This is legalized sin today, and some of them have the gall to pray and say, bless us in our work of destruction. The hand of the Lord is not shortened that He cannot save; neither is His ear heavy that he cannot hear, but sins separate us from our God.

Today the greatest percentage of our professed Christian homes, holiness and full gospel too, never have time to teach the children the virtues of the Bible, nor do they gather them around a family altar. We do not take time to teach our children the responsibilities of life, but they are turned loose to find their own way in a dark world, where "there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood. Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein shall languish." Hos. 4:1-3.

The mothers of our land are found at the bridge tables, gossip clubs, honkey tonks, balls, theaters, and play houses of our day, wearing clothes, smoking cigarettes, and drinking the booze of men; also using vile language, making the men feel ashamed they are human. Our youth with this influence are soon started on the road to destruction at a fast speed

speed

Many of our religious teachers and great numbers of the ministers today have lowered the standard of christianity to where sin is not made exceedingly sinful, as God's Word declares it is. They put their stamp of approval on the dances that are put on in the name of patriotism, and the

movies that are put on in the name of education, also the tobacco and booze that comes in the name of taxation to support the needy. We have known of these false leaders dismissing their services to allow their pleasure living members to attend these popular sins. Fulfilling the prophecy in 2nd Tim. 3:4, where it said that men would love pleasures more than they loved God, thus bringing perilous times, a true sign of the last days. These modern blind leaders of the blind, making and teaching the life lived in godliness, temperance, soberness, and virtue, out of date, old and foggish.

Today our youth is placed in a world, where every type of iniquity is abounding on every side, to influence them to commit the popular sins of the day, which are made popular by the professional leaders, political leaders, and the religious leaders of this day. Fulfilling the prophecy in Isa. 59:13-15. "In transgressing and lying against the Lord, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. And judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter. Yea truth faileth; and he that departeth from evil maketh himself a prey; and the Lord saw it, and it displeased Him that there was no judgment."

Today the Devil has a class of people that is without natural affection, hardened sinners that delight in leading astray our youth, even forcing them to commit the sins that rob them of their virtue and resistance. These are turned loose many times as respectable citizens to prey and fulfill

their lusts upon our innocent youth.

My God, awake us as parents, teachers, pastors, and evangelists, to lift up our voices and spare not but show the people their sins. May we as parents teach our children, first the blessings and the promises, abstinence, virtues, and warnings of God's Word. Teach them of the dangers and pitfalls of this day.

Let us not get too busy to pray, read the Bible, and talk things over with our children. Let us teach them obedience to parents and to God. While they are small, teach them to know that they cannot have everything they want. Lam. 3:27-28. "It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it upon him." Children need some responsibility and work to learn the duties of life. They must be taught the value of virtue, honesty, purity, the sacredness of a clean body kept as a chaste virgin to one husband, the value of time, and that people are to earn their bread by the sweat of their brow. Our youth need to know that as God's Word has declared, "Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled; but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge." Heb. 13:4.

Young folks, you can't associate with just any one, stay away from folks that partake, advocate, and indulge in the popular sins of our day. Eph. 5:11-12, "and have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. For it is a shame even to speak of those things that are done of them in secret." Don't idle your time away around places where Jazz music is played, or around the dens and dives of our day. The fellowship you find there, won't do you any good. Fellowship the people of God, go where God's Word is preached, accept Christ, put on the whole armour of God that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the Devil, and having done all to stand, then

stand. Learn not to be ashamed of Jesus and the Gospel. Don't be influenced by every one that comes along, but let those that would lead you in sin know that you are living for Christ, and that He saved you from the bondage of sin, and that you intend to live for Him. Today we overcome by the blood of the Lamb, and the word of our testimony. Nothing will cause the Devil's crowd to leave you alone any quicker than a good testimony for Christ.

In this day the love of many is going to wax cold because iniquity doth abound, also the great falling away Paul spoke of. We need to pray for wide awake eyes and an understanding heart, to know that they, who sow to the flesh, will reap corruption, and to know it pays to live for God. Let us pray for grace, determination, grit and backbone to say no to sins and the influence of iniquity today. Jesus said they that endure unto the end would be saved. To endure is to face the storm, the opposition, trials, and temptations of this old world. When the enemy comes in like a flood, then may we, through confidence, faith, and enduring grace, trust our God to make a way of escape.

May the christian youth of today keep themselves unspotted from the world, that the Lord may take from among them, first fruits unto God and lamb, that have not defiled themselves, nor bowed their knees, to the idols of our day, that the guide and rottenness of ungodly appetites

and vile language might not be in their mouths.

May the weapons of our warfare not be carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds, casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ. II Cor. 10:4-5.

Inquity is abounding today, but God's grace is much more abounding. The latter rain of the outpouring of the Holy Ghost, the whole armour of God, yea the deep things of God are promised, and given to the believing, obedient, diligent youth; that we might meet every foe, and come forth more than a conqueror through Him that loved us.

Rom. 8:38-39 says, "For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." The cords of love that tie us to our redeemer are strong. Christ is touched with the feeling of our infirmities, and He clearly understands our need, and will beyond fail; carry us through the hardest trials, the deepest sorrow, or the most severe persecution.

There has been times in the life of the writer that he had gone as far as he could go, had come to the end of his strength, and it looked like the next step was to fail, then as he would take his trials to Jesus, he was given grace to overcome, and a way of escape was made. When discouragement and failure comes our way, if we will go to our Saviour in prayer, through faith and humility, we will get the victory.

Heb. 4:6. "Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." This is the victory that overcometh the world, even your faith. If we keep the word of His patience, then He will keep us from the hour of temptation that is to come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. Hold fast that no man take thy crown.

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CHURCH





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Patterson Apostolic Church

Our church wishes to report the presence of the Lord in our services. We have enjoyed the sermons of Terry Mathis and Olen Bachler. They are with us often and we Praise the Lord for them. The Lord has helped us get new drapes and a p.a. system. Praise God! We are in the process of obtaining pews. We are also painting the church. Our church is growing in number and spirit. Bro. Winston Barker recently held a Sunday service for us, and gave us information on the Missions to Mexico, the work of the missionary Bro. Don Russell. Our singing was wonderful Saturday night. Many were there and also the Lord's presence was felt. Our young people gave a Valentine Banquet at the Court house there were 30 young people present. It was a blessing to each of us. The Ben Philipp family have moved back to Texas and will be attending our church. God has been good to us and we praise Him for this. We have some seeking the Holy Spirit. Pray for us. We thank God daily for Bro. Scruggs and his family they have been so faithful. There has been some out with the flu. We will all be happy when Spring comes. Remember us in your prayers that God will use us for His Glory.

Johnny Scruggs, Pastor Billie Philipp, Reporter

Hardesty, Oklahoma

The Lord has been good to us and we thank him for his blessings. We are in the process of getting some new furniture for the parsonage.

Bro. David Lively and a group from the student center had a service for us recently. We are always glad for the people from the student center to drop in.

The Winston Barkers were with us in behalf of "Missions to Mexico". Everyone was glad to know what they could do to help in this mission.

Bro. Bill Sparks and the Son Rise Singers were with us

and we had an outstanding service.

Hilton Sutton just finished a community wide "Missions to America" crusade. Bill and Vicki Patterson were in charge of the special music, and on Friday evening Vicki and the Royalheirs were with us. The blessings of the Lord were felt, and we were made to realize what a privilige and blessing it is to live in America.

Dewey Flock, Pastor Mary Lorraine Jones, Reporter

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Copy must be in by the 15th of the month to be in the next month's issue.

Buckhorn Full Gospel Church

We do thank the Lord for His many blessings. We have been working on the church in the past months. We had a new roof put on and we are going to paint the inside and outside, the Lord willing. We have been having some wonderful services. Bro. Darrell Sutton and Sis. Peggy are wonderful people. We thank God for such wonderful Pastors. The Lord has blessed the church in so many ways. I enjoyed reading the Apostolic Report every month. Do pray for the church, we need your prayers.

Darrell Sutton, Pastor Della Krumrey, Reporter

Ashland, Alabama

The Lord has been very gracious to us here and we thank Him for sending some rich blessings our way. We have been priviliged to have Bro. David Lively, Shari Cook, Carolyn Quesenbury, and Dorothy Kinser in services here recently. We had a Valentine Banquet for our youth and Sis. Dorothy Kinser gave a most inspiring devotion and was in charge of the funspiration time, which was enjoyed by about 50 people.

The work here continues to grow and show new enthusiasm. We are ranging from 45 to 60 in attendance. We have been using the "Seven Sayings on the Cross" on film strips on Sunday night; these films will conclude before Easter and they have been a real blessing.

We desire your prayers as we work in this area. Surely the harvest is white unto harvest and it is our desire to be faithful laborers for the Lord.

Bro. Jim Arnall, Pastor

Midway Country Church, Logan, Oklahoma

The Lord is continuing to bless in each service. We have had some recent testimonies of healings and there are others in our church who are still in need of a healing touch and desire your prayers. We have had good attendance at church in spite of the cold and snowy weather.

Plans are being made by our pastor to start a church band. Several of our young people play instruments in our public schools and we feel like their talents can be used in our church service to glorify God. We are having special prayer services for our revival which starts on Easter Sunday. We are trusting God to send us a real outpouring of His Spirit. God is so good to us.

Howard Whiteley, Pastor Edith Lamunyon, Reporter

Big Spring, Texas

Greetings in the name of the Lord. The Lord has really blessed these past few months and we've had several victories won for the Lord. We are praying for a revival and we ask your prayers that the Lord will direct and have His way.

We have started a "Children's Hour" on Sunday night for those too young for Youth Service, Bro. and Sis. Omer Sherman are in charge of this. Beginning at 7:00 a.m. each Wednesday morning and continuing throughout the day, the Church is open for a day of prayer. If you have any needs, be they spiritual or otherwise, we would be happy to pray with you about them. Requests may be made by notifying our pastor, Rev. Bob G. Taylor, 1307 Goliad, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or calling the parsonage at 1-915-263-7144. On Thursday night we have started a Boy's Club directed by Omer Sherman and Rodney Michie. On Mondays and Wednesdays we are holding services at the local rest homes and we ask your prayers that the Lord will lead in all of these services.

The Young People of the Church, directed by Sis. Carol Fowler had gone on a weekend retreat near Vanderpool, Texas. While there they held services Sunday, March 10, at the Vanderpool Church. Also our Youth Group will have charge of the Sunrise Service Easter Sunday presenting "The Challenge of the Cross".

Bro. O. A. Busch held services for us February 19-21 and the Lord really blessed. We appreciate his coming by and we welcome all ministers of the faith to visit us at any

The Church appreciates the work that Bro. Bob and Sis. Hazel have done for the Lord in their work here in Big Spring. We trust the Lord will continue to bless them as they labor with us.

Bro. Bob G. Taylor, Pastor Mrs. Jim Boyd, Reporter

West Purcell Apostolic Faith Mission

We are glad to report that the Lord has been very good to us in every service and we have felt His presence. The past few weeks different ones have been having the Bible lessons on Thursday evenings and everyone is enjoying the midweek service. We have had good attendance in spite of our wintery March weather.

We all miss Sis. Edith Pennell as she was so faithful to be at every service. Please pray for her sister Elsie Tice for healing. She is confined to a wheel chair at the present.

George Hintergardt, Pastor



On February 8th, 1975 Janeece Randolph of Perryton, Texas and Lonnie Bowles of Balko, Oklahoma exchanged wedding vows at 2:00 p.m. in the Full Gospel Church in Perryton, Texas.

VBS and Camp Help and a Teachers' Seminar

Each year there are always inquiries as to who we can get to help in our Vacation Bible Schools and Youth Camps. At the end of Bible School this year I asked students in my Child-Youth Evangelism Class who were interested in this type work to give me their names. Of course since that time a few of these have obligated themselves to other work. Here is a list of the ones who were interested. If you do not know how to contact them, you may write or call the Bible School for their home address.

VBS
Director
Lois Harper
David Lively
Teacher or Helper
Rhonda Cornell
Shirley Satcher
Lois Harper
David Lively
Marica Turner
Holli Speak
Betty Carney
Debbie Davis

YOUTH CAMP Debbie Davis Shirley Satcher Rhonda Cornell Marcia Turner Holli Speak Jan Pelts Mary Middleton Lois Harper Betty Carney David Lively

Due to several requests of the people of this area, we are planning a Teacher Training Seminar the weekend of April 18-19 here in Baxter. The first session will begin on Friday evening at 7 p.m. Sessions will be in progress all day Saturday beginning at 9 a.m. Some of the topics under discussion will be: Importance of Teaching, Leading A Child To Christ, Visual Aids, Memory Work, Visitation, and the Duties of Sunday School Teachers and Officers. Anyone interested will be more than welcome. Dorm facilities will be available.

-Kathryn Cornell





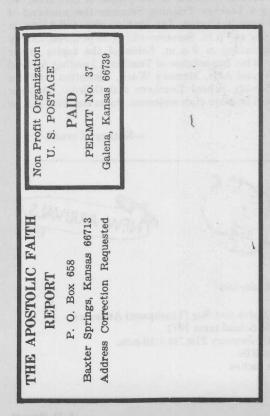
Rhoda Kay Anderson
(Acts 12:13)
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Selected.



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