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Christmas

- C** — Christ, Lord and Master. Came to earth the lowly one and only one of whom all the Prophets wrote. —John 1:45
- H** — Heavenly Hosts confirmed His deity, by proclaiming that in the city of David a Saviour had been born. —Luke 2:8-15
- R** — Righteousness was His, for He was without sin or guile. He gave Himself that others might like Him be. —I Peter 2:22
- I** — Israel, thy Redeemer has come. He also was a light to lighten the Gentile world and gather all people unto himself. —Luke 2:30-32
- S** — Saviour - Prophet and King, His transforming power gives hope and life to who-so-ever will then and now. —Luke 2:11 —Revelation 22:17
- T** — Troubled heart be not afraid—He came. He has gone to prepare many mansions for you—for me. —John 14:1-2
- M** — Messiah, Prince of Peace, rightful heir to all the kingdoms of the world has come. Revelation 11:15
- A** — Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God. The sign of the virgin birth was given—Immanuel was born. —Isaiah 7:11-14
- S** — Seek ye the Lord while He may be found and in so doing have the merriest Christmas ever. —Isaiah 55:56

—GAIL SCHULTZ

On Earth Peace

By M. D. METHVIN

As we have come to another Christmas season, it makes our hearts to be filled with the warmth of Christ's great love for humanity.

I suppose millions of sermons have told of this glorious event. Poets have with rhythmic phrases pronounced the beauty and warmth of Jesus' birth; writers in great books and small articles have sought to tell with the wisdom of scholars, Christ's greatness to visit this world; We want to in our humble way imprint in your heart as you read this article, Jesus came to bring PEACE ON EARTH.

The greatest miracle of all was the conception and birth of Christ. The prophet Isaiah wrote "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and shall call his name Immanuel." (Isa. 7:14). The hope that God gave to man has not been just a recent or new hope. Down through the ages man has been searching for an everlasting Peace; something that he could hold to, not earthly, but something heavenly or promised of God. The prophet was inspired of God to write this scripture of a promise that a virgin would conceive and bring forth a son whose name would be Immanuel, which interpreted means God with us. I can imagine Isaiah's feelings,—surely this will be the hope, the peace which the earth has been waiting for. As each man of God waited and hoped for this great event, just praying for it to come to pass in his day; writing their prophecy and proclaiming to the people of Israel of their hope. "Of the increase of his government and Peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this." (Isa. 9:7). With a positive outlook on life, nothing tangible but something they could put their trust

in, they lived for the coming of the King of Israel, Jesus Christ our Lord.

That glorious day came which stirred the world; not only Israel but the world.

Matthew says: "Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: when as his Mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost." (Matt. 1:18). Isaiah's prophecy was to be fulfilled, a virgin was to conceive and bring forth a son.

An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph and proclaimed "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS; for he shall save his people from their sins," (Matt. 1:21) This announcement alone should bring hope to this world and peace on earth: "His name shall be called JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins." As the sun rises in the east to caress the earth with its golden rays of light and to warm an earth which has been covered with the darkness of night, so did Jesus come to this world to take us out of darkness into his wonderful light. He shall save his people from their sins. Man which had sinned and come short of God's promises and commandments now had been given of God a new lease on life; at the supreme sacrifice of God's own Son, this being the only propitiation for sin. Yes! Jesus can truly bring PEACE to your heart, soul and mind when he reaches down within a life which is broken and torn asunder with the wickedness of sin and hate by the power of Satan; then forgive that broken soul and save it from its sins. PEACE—yes, truly a peace the world can't give; only through Jesus is this rich treasure found.

"They shall call his name Immanuel, which being interpreted is God with us." Logically we would think if he was the King of Israel of the throne of David, the very son of God on a mission of mercy to the earth, he would

surely be treated as such. Every nation and especially Israel would go all out to greet him and make his stay a joyous one. But no! He came not in the royal fashion to the world, but rather the lowly way, the humble way. This way always is Christ's way. Micah 5:2—"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting." God surely has great ways to bring to pass his word.

In the days of Caesar Augustus there went out a decree that all the world should be taxed. By this decree Joseph and Mary were drawn to Bethlehem, where the Saviour was to be born. (Luke 2:3,4)—"And all went to be taxed every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up to Galilee out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)" Mary being great with child and her day being accomplished, surely room could be found at the inn. But no, only room in the stable. She brought forth her first born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes.

On this night many things were happening. Even the elements were playing their part, for we hear the wise men of the east saying "we have seen his star in the east." I don't know how many days these men followed his star, but they knew whom they were seeking, Jesus the King. And they loved him enough to follow his star that they might worship and give their gifts to him. After inquiring of Herod who sent them to Bethlehem, they saw the star which they had seen in the east going before them until it stood over the young child. A great rejoicing came into their hearts, these wise men of the east. They fell down before the child and worshipped him and then presented gifts for the king—gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

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On Earth Peace

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Though they had traveled far, through many hardships, they found peace because they followed his star.

The angels in Heaven aroused to this great event. To the shepherds who were abiding in the same country an angel appeared. The glory of the Lord shown round about as he proclaimed the birth of the Saviour. (Luke 2:13, 14) "And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and ON EARTH PEACE, good will toward men." The shepherds went quickly and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. Our Saviour was worshipped by the wise, by the lowly, by the great and the small. But to them all he brought the same love, the same warmth, the same PEACE.

Now many years have passed; time has changed many things. But nothing can change the won-

1962 gradually and rather quickly fades into the past and we view 1963 with mixed emotions. We are happy for a New Year, however, we wonder just what this New Year will bring. "Occupy till I come," were the words of Jesus. He has not come, as yet, therefore we keep on, keeping on, holding the blood-stained banner, of Christ, high to a lost and dying world. We point men to the middle cross, where the debt of sin was paid and remember these words, "and I if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me." So we cherish the old rugged cross and believe that here the answer, to life's many problems, can be found. Let the song of the angels ring true in every heart, "Peace on earth; good will toward men."

We look toward Mount Zion and the Hills of God, from whence cometh our strength. With renewed zeal, we enter into 1963. Our hope is in the return of Jesus back to this earth as He went away, to bring peace

derful story of Christ. It isn't just the old story; but with each verse, with every phrase the heart vibrates with the glory of God. His word was truly fulfilled at Christ's birth.

Now the challenge is to us of the 20th century. Nations of the world gather to try to find the solution for peace. If only the wise men of the earth could see his star. If only the lowly would listen to the angel of the Lord. Surely the echo of God's word would thunder down through the ages of His Son's birth and the glories of our Jesus' mission to the world. True PEACE-for all-to all. ON EARTH, PEACE.

and righteousness to a troubled world. We wait on the Lord for strength to tell the wonderful story, in sermon, in song, and the printed word, that Jesus died that we might live.

We don't need: more pills for our ills; more psychoanalysis; more pay and less work; more pleasure; more missiles; more government. We do need Jesus Christ more: in every heart; in healing the sick; in saving the lost; in our government; in our International problems. We do need old-fashioned God sent—conviction that will generate old-fashioned repentance to God and man.

We, the Editors of the Apostolic Faith Report, want to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. We thank you for your support and prayers. Your many letters have been so kind and warmed our hearts. God bless you. May our hearts be bound together more effectively with the great Love of God as 1963 unfolds.

BUSINESS MEETING

The Panhandle Ministers Meeting and Laverne Camp Site Meeting were combined November 27th. This meeting was held at the Full Gospel Church in Perryton. The President of the Minister's Meeting Rev. Lowell Long, turned the meeting to the Midwest Camp Site Board. Bro. R. C. Jones, of Hardesty, Oklahoma, presided. Bro. Gene Hibbs, of Liberal, Kansas was the Board member whose time had expired. He was re-elected for a term of three years. Bro. Jim Fox is the other member of the Board. The goal set was to begin active work on the Camp Site buildings to have them ready for Youth Camp in 1963.

New York to Calvary

By MRS. HAZEL KLEIN

Thank God for the marvelous opportunity He allowed me to make this unforgettable tour of the land of Jesus' earthly home. Brother Samuel Doctorian of Beirut, Lebanon was in charge. Thirty-four people from various parts of the United States, Canada, Germany, and Beirut were on this special tour. Brother Samuel met us in New York City and we departed on June 7, 1962 for Brussels, Belgium where we changed planes for Zurich, Switzerland. Here the U. S. group was joined by the young lady from Germany and also a U. S. missionary from Hong Kong. The Canadian missionary left with us from New York City. The unforgettable group was now almost complete. We remained in Zurich for four days as the Business Men's Fellowship, almost world wide now, was then in session here. Brother Samuel was the main speaker while we were here. Services were in German, French, and we also had a Spanish interpreter for the group of this language. Swiss-German is the language of Switzerland. So the services were mostly conducted in German, except Brother Samuel speaks English better so he had a German interpreter. The services were marvelous to say the least. A United States diplomat who speaks nine languages also addressed the group. At one meeting a native of Egypt spoke on how grateful Egypt was to have been the place of refuge for the young Christ; and many more inspiring messages gave testimony to the goodness of God, including a French pastor who was full of the Holy Ghost.

From here we departed for Beirut where we were joined by the last member of our tour. Also while we were in Beirut we met Brother Samuel's lovely wife and three children. I also met another Brother whose name translated into English means "beloved" and before we left Beirut he had endeared himself to us all. He preaches in Brother Samuel's Evangelistic Center during his absence and is a great man of God. Here

we held services at the Center for both nights we were there. It is marvelous to see such faith as these brothers and sisters in the Lord have, especially where Divine healing is concerned. God said it, they believe, and that's it, and they get healed. Each night the place was packed and people standing outside. Here our friend Margaret Bauhler was impressed to work in Brother Samuel's new Center which is now being built. (Incidentally, she is the Canadian missionary mentioned before.) She is now taking a course in Baltimore, Maryland to learn a new way of teaching languages, so she can return to the work at Christmas. While in Beirut we toured the ruins of the old city of Baalbek, just outside Beirut. In Jesus' time Baalbek did not exist but we believe the city was built by Adam, others think Cain built it and lived there after God sent him out. Others think Nimrod built it to defy Jehovah. Some believe that Abraham built it and lived there. Others think Solomon built it for the Queen of Sheba. So it has many myths. On the way from modern Beirut we went through what was once the forest of Lebanon where the famous cedars for Solomon's Temple were hewed. Only two authentic cedars remain. Although Lebanon is still a fertile place various foods and produce are still grown here. On arrival at Baalbek we saw the old ruins of the old Jupiter temple (Sun-god). Some think this may have been the place where Israel defied God and worshipped Baal, as Baal was also the Sun-god. Then we saw the ruins of the temple of Bacchus, the wine god. Some think these ruins just outside the temple area may have been a Venus temple, as they were on the water front. After being truly stirred with wonder of amazement concerning these things we completed our tour in this ancient land by going through an underwater cave. From Beirut we went to Damascus, Assyria, a place known to

our elder Brother Saul of Tarsus. Here also we held services for the Christian converts, how gloriously the place was packed out again. Every aisle was filled, we were literally "sardines in a can". Here we Americans sang in English, and the natives in their language, melodies all the same but words pronounced differently.

While in Damascus we went through many Moslem temples, huge massive constructions. We also saw the famous wall which Paul came over in a basket. After shopping in the ancient streets and enjoying an Assyrian meal, we returned to Beirut by bus as these two cities are very close but under different government. On our way over we had great difficulty securing entrance, but on our way back we cleared customs quickly and were met by cameramen who published our tour in their local newspapers, which we could not read. We stayed in the beautiful American Colony Hotel in Hashimite kingdom of Jordan. In all places we were treated kindly and royally, and the Arabs were no exception—they, too, were very gracious and kind. While in this wonderful place of eternal history we viewed all the holy sites available in Jordan. We were privileged to spend two nights in the Dead Sea area. To me it was an exotic sight; it has the appearance of the ocean but the water is so salty that nothing can exist in it. Areas in depth are fathomless, just as God's great love. We returned to the city of Jerusalem to visit Mary and Martha's home site where Jesus so often went to rest and visit. We also went into the tomb of Lazarus whom Jesus raised from the dead. We visited Jacob's well and were refreshed by the clear fresh water, still as good as ever. Here, too, we were privileged to be on the Mount of Transfiguration, and to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane and also on the Mount of Olives, under the same trees where Jesus poured out His heart to the Father. We saw the pool of Bethesda, the Mosque of Omar and the wall that divides the city. No wonder our Jesus wept so bit-

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The Whole Armor of God

By HAULACE NOVINGER

The Scripture for consideration is Ephesians 6: 10-18. Verse 10: "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might." Paul paints the Christian life as a battle against spiritual powers of evil, waged in the strength of the Lord, and in the panoply of God.

To be strong in the Lord indicates that the source of our strength is in relationship with Christ, the strength is His but by faith it becomes ours, a strong trust, strong hope, strong endurance and strong love.

From experience Paul had proved the possibility of doing many seemingly impossible things through the strength which Christ supplies. The man who is self-reliant and self-sufficient is doomed to failure; only when we realize our weakness and our dependence upon a higher power, greater than our own, are we safe. The whole secret of spiritual strength resides in union with "the Lord." In Him is the foundation of spiritual vitality; to be made our own as we abide in Him.

Verse 11: "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

We are to be fully equipped and prepared for any emergency. The Lord Jesus Christ Himself is our complete safeguard, for trusting and abiding in Him, Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ, which strengtheneth me." (Phil. 4:13) With wisdom, power and strength which He supplies, we are able to defeat the great enemy of our soul, who goes about as "a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour." (1 Pet. 5:8) But like Paul Bunyon's "Mr. Steadfast" we shall stand firm and secure against all the hosts of Satan. Our adversary is full of "wiles", of deliberate subtil plans to defeat and devour us. He knows our weakest points. We expressly need Divine Wisdom and strength to deal with the cunning of our spiritual enemy. And this wisdom

is given to those who live in close communion with Christ and live in His word. In union with Jesus we are able to discern and to defeat the schemes of Satan to bring us low and defeat us.

Verse 12: "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

We struggle not with the "flesh and blood" of wicked men, with mere human power, but we are engaged in a truceless war with the spiritual powers of evil. There is an organized spirit world with its leaders working in opposition to God and to the progress of the Church and believers. The scripture speaks of "evil spirits", "unclean spirits", "seducing spirits", "fallen angels", "the devil's angels", and they are organized as "principalities", "powers", "rulers of darkness", "spiritual hosts of wickedness", against whom humans have to struggle continually; they have their origin from Satan, who is the ruler and power of all evil. But, praise God, all things are under God's control, who in His appointed time will bring this present age to an end, and will destroy Satan and His hosts forever. Thanks be unto God who has "delivered us from the powers of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son, in whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgivenesses of sins." (Col.1: 13-14)

Verse 13: "Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand." It is the "whole armour" we are instructed to put on. God has supplied a complete protective covering. It is His gift, all is of God, our strength and power for the fight is His. "The evil day" is the day of special trial and temptation, the day when the soul is hard pressed by Satan. We are to withstand that

Evil one, resist his every attack, ever be prepared for the onslaught of Satan. We are to plant our feet on the solid Rock, being steadfast, unmovable in the face of the enemy.

Verse 14: "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness."

"Righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins", "He put on righteousness as a breastplate". Truth and righteousness are inseparable, they are compared to the strong belt and the breastplate continuous with it forms together the armour of the body. The truth as it is "in Jesus" when received with the heart and mind is to act as a girdle, bracing and supporting the whole man. The act of girding is to be the believers own act. The breastplate covers the heart, the seat of life. It is the shield to him who is living in the truth in Christ, who is a lover and defender of all truth, having accepted the "righteousness" which is of God by faith. (Phil.3:9)

Verse 15: "And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace." We have a picture here of a steadfastness in personal warfare. "Following Him as dear children." and God keeping him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Him. The gospel the glad message of peace, the Divine revelation of peace that brings enlightenment and salvation to the heart is part of the panoply of the holy war. Peace with God is the result of a deepening and continuous trust in God. And he who has peace with God will be able to stand firm in the "evil day". An intimate relationship with Christ through daily abiding with Him enables us to be strong, steadfast, victorious, when all is against us, for we know Whom we have believed.

Verse 16: "Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." This is the faith of patience and endurance, almost passive faith, trusting in God's protection, and submission to His will, on which the darts of temptation fall

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PASTORAL REPORTS

HEMPSTEAD, TEXAS.

Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Barker recently held a two-weeks revival in the church here. Attendance was good, with a good many visitors from neighboring churches from time to time. The Spirit of the Lord was present to bless, and there were a few saved and sanctified. The church was encouraged and strengthened.

George Polvado, Pastor.

BUCKHORN, TEXAS

We are having good services at the Full Gospel Church in Buckhorn. Sunday night, November 4th, we had three saved: two young ladies and one young man. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way and these young people desire the prayers of everyone that they might continue to grow in faith and work of the Lord.

The Lord has been real good to us here. We enjoy having Brother Winston Barker, his wife and sons, as our pastor; as they have certainly been an inspiration to each one. God certainly answered our prayers when He sent Brother Barker and his family to pastor here.

Rev. Winston J. Barker, Pastor Reporter, Mrs. Ethel Mae Acock

LIBERAL, KANSAS

The church enjoyed a good revival in November with Brother Otto Busch the evangelist. God blessed in the services and great blessings were received from the messages brought.

Rev. Jim Wallis, Pastor.

MIDWEST CITY, OKLA.

On October 21 we began a revival with Brother Kay Kerr as evangelist. There were 17 or 18 saved during the meeting, and the church seemed to be revived spiritually. The Lord blessed us in such a wonderful way. We praise Him for His mercy and convicting power. Pray for the church here.

Rev. Amos Harris, Pastor.

CROSSES, ARKANSAS

We are happy to report we have been having good services here at Crosses. Attendance has been good, except during bad weather. A number of young people have been taking interest in the services. We ask our Christian friends to help us hold these young people up to the Lord in prayer. One was saved recently, and several more are under conviction.

Rev. Roland Haney, Pastor.

PERRYTON, TEXAS

The services, at the Full Gospel Church, have been exceptionally good lately. A spiritual wave has come to bless us. Three were converted in a recent Sunday service. Thank God for His blessing.

Rev. O. A. Busch, Pastor.

GRANBY, MISSOURI

The Gospel Tabernacle Church is enjoying the good blessings of the Lord. We are happy to report that the all-time record of Sunday School attendance was broken the first Sunday in December with an attendance of 149. Pray for the work of the Lord here, that souls may be saved.

Rev. and Mrs. L. J. Ehrlich,
Pastors.

Mrs. Jim Arnall, reporter.

HARDESTY, OKLAHOMA

The Mission Church was blessed on a Sunday night in November by the visit of Bro. Austin Morgan and family. Bro. Morgan preached an anointed message from Psalms 8 on the thought, "What Is Man?"

Wednesday nights and a few Sunday nights have been confined to studies in the book of Revelation for the past few weeks. These end-time prophecies confirm the Scripture that "we have a more sure word of prophecy." Because of present world conditions, these studies have proved to be a blessing.

Rev. Jerry McClenagan, Pastor.

LAVERNE, OKLA.

(Special Announcement) The Apostolic Faith Church here will observe its 33rd consecutive Watch Night service December 31, with a service at 8:00 p.m. and another service to follow, beginning at 10:00 p.m. and continuing through the mid-night hour. An invitation is extended to ministers and churches of the area to come and worship the Lord with us in this service.

Rev. Jim Fox, Pastor.

AUSTIN, TEXAS

God is blessing and answering prayer for our church here. Bro. and Sis. George Polvado were here for services November 13th. We would appreciate the prayers of our fellow-laborers in Christ. Note our change of address: 1514 Corona Drive. The phone number is the same GL 3-8452.

Rev. Stephen Welsh, Pastor.

SPEARMAN, TEXAS.

The Apostolic Faith Church here enjoyed a good revival November 11-25 with Evangelist and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon. The blessings of the Lord were present in every service and six were saved and four sanctified. The christian people were greatly helped and encouraged by the stirring messages.

Pastors, Mrs. Sherman Sutton
Mrs. E. A. Greever

BEAVER, OKLAHOMA

The Beaver Apostolic Faith Church is under construction at this time. The exterior being nearly complete. We have received our doors and will soon have them hung. The windows have been in for some time and we are now sealing the exterior walls. We are dealing for a heating system and this is delaying our interior work. With the help of the Lord, we hope to have the building ready for use early in 1963. Remember us and this work in prayer.

Rev. Lowell Long, Pastor.

MODESTO, CALIF.

God is continuing to bless the church here with Sunday School attendance gradually growing. Plans are still going forward for a new church in the future, as God leads and provides.

Rev. and Mrs. Ross Briles,
Pastors.

JOPLIN, MISSOURI

Rev. Gail Schultz is pastoring the Apostolic Faith Church at 700 East 4th street in Joplin on a temporary basis. The church is doing well and Sunday School attendance runs around 70. Ministers of the Faith are invited to visit the church, also readers of the Apostolic Faith Report in Joplin and the Tri-State area are invited to attend services with us. A visitation program is now under way to endeavor to reach people who are not attending church anywhere. On Tuesday afternoons the Ladies' Bible Study group meets with Sister Edna Schultz in charge of this service.

G. W. Schultz, Pastor.

SUNRAY, TEXAS

Evangelist Vester Clanton recently conducted a good revival here and the Spirit of the Lord was present to bless. The regular services are consistently good. Recent visitors for services were Brother Bill Briles of Liberal, Kansas and Brother and Sister George Hintergardt. Brother F. P. Copeland and Brother Robert Girouard filled in for the pastor who has recently been away. An invitation is extended to all ministers of the Faith to come by for services. We covet your prayers.

Rev. Jack Hopson, Pastor.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Edna Baker's mother of Conway Springs, Kansas.

The Lovington, New Mexico Church has a need of a Pastor. Pray with them to see this need filled. There is a Church and Parsonage. Contact Alva Caudill, Lovington, New Mexico, or Rev. Marcus L. Adair, Canyon, Texas.

Letter to the Editor:

Dear Ones in Christ:

I am taking this way of thanking everyone who prayed for me and my family during our recent trial of sickness and injury. In the past year I have had four surgeries, was hospitalized from July 5th through September 24 with three surgeries in that period. I was home only one day when my husband, Walter, fell from a roof and was injured. On his ninth day in the hospital my Mother passed away. Later Walter was transferred to Cheyenne, Wyoming for surgery, then developed pneumonia. But God heard and answered prayer for us both and gave the victory. When discouraging moments came then we could feel God's presence near and hear encouraging words, "I am with thee." Our dear daughter, Mrs. Richard Barker, came from Katy, Texas to care for us, and she was a great blessing. Our special thanks also to Brother and Sister Bennie Stanberry, Brother and Sister James Hosler and Brother and Sister George Hintergardt, and to all of you who prayed for us, and for the flowers, cards, and gifts. May God bless you all.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lewis
Kimball, Nebr.

God's man is more than a normal
soul

Who lives a life that his friends
extol,

Who pays his debts when his
debts are due

Whose wife will vow that he's
not untrue.

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God's man is more than a man
who stands

Saluting the Lord and His great
commands,

Who reads the Bible and kneels
to pray

And goes to church on the holy
day.

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God's man is the man whom
Christ has freed

From sin and guilt and the grip
of greed:

Who counts as gain all the earth-
ly loss

Which he must suffer to gain the
Cross.

OBITUARY**MOLLIE KILDOW**

Mollie Kildow was born October 17, 1909 at Bolzer, Russia and departed this life November 17, 1962 at the age of 53 years. She came to America with her parents at an early age and settled in Nebraska. On August 22, 1925 she was married to Henry Kildow and since that time they have lived in the Bayard, Nebraska community. Unto them were born eight children, two of whom preceded her in death.

Mrs. Kildow was converted in 1937 under the ministry of Henry Nagel of the Hope Congregational Church, and from then until the end she found the Lord to be a present help in all times. For the past ten years she has been an active member of the Apostolic Faith Church and was teacher of the Adult Bible Class at the time of her death.

Among her survivors are her husband, Henry, and a son of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Amos Harris, who is wife of the pastor of the Midwest City, Okla. Apostolic Faith Church; also two other daughters and two other sons.

GOD'S CHART

The Bible is God's chart for you to steer by, to keep you from the bottom of the sea, and to show you where the harbor is and how to reach it without running on rocks or bars. If you have been reading it to gratify curiosity; or to see if you could not catch a universalist; or to find a knife with which to cut up a Unitarian; or for the purpose of setting up or taking down a bishop; or to establish any sect—if you have been reading it so, then stop. It is God's medicine-book. You are sick. You are mortally struck through with the disease. Read it for life, for growth in righteousness, then blessed is your reading. — Beecher.

Have you a troubled heart?
There is one source to get it
healed, and that source is Jesus.
— George W. Truett.

The Children's Hour . . .

By ALBERDINE WILHITE

I-saiah tells us of Jesus' birth
 A gift, God did impart.
 Let us give Him a gift, this Christmas;
 Our own poor and lonely heart.

Christmas time is here! Boys and girls everywhere are wondering what they are going to receive for Christmas. Families and friends exchange gifts because they love each other. This Christmas, let's remember to keep Christ in Christmas. Let's fix Him a birthday cake and sing, "Happy Birthday" to Him! Give Him a gift for His birthday. When you have a birthday, would you like for someone else to receive all your gifts? No we would not. Do you wonder what you can give Jesus for His birthday? I am sure Jesus would be pleased if we would give ourselves along with our love, our hearts, our all—. That is the gift He is looking for. That would be the gift He wants the most. Jesus is not interested in fame or fortune, but He is interested in hearts. He is looking for little boys and girls who will come to Him. He will love them and bless them! (Matt. 19:14) and He will save them from their sins. Matt. 1:21 says so! "—And thou (Mary and Joseph) shall call His name Jesus: For He shall save His people (Boys and girls, too!) from their sins." Jesus, the saviour of the world! No wonder the star shined so bright! It told the wise men afar off that a saviour was born! And the angels sang the announcement to the shepherds! A tiny baby was born—to save His people from their sins! Praise the Lord for such a wonderful, wonderful gift! "His people" include you and me!

After you sing "Happy Birthday" to dear Jesus, this Christmas, have Mother and Daddy read to the whole family, the two

best Christmas messages the world has ever heard. Matthew one and two and Luke two.

Learn a memory verse this Christmas—"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins." Matt: 21.

Can you answer this Christmas Quiz?

1. Where was Jesus born? Matt. 2:1
2. Who was king at that time? Matt. 2:1
3. Who saw the star in the east, and came to worship Him? Matt. 2:2
4. It was prophesied that Jesus would be called "Immanuel." What does "Immanuel" mean? Matt. 1:23
5. Who decreed that all the world should be taxed? Luke 2:1
6. The Saviour's first bed was a manger. Why? Luke 2:7
7. Who was watching their flocks by night? Luke 2:8
8. Who announced Jesus' birth to the shepherds? Luke 2:10
9. Name the gifts that the wisemen brought to Jesus. Matt. 2:11
10. Joseph took Mary and Jesus down into _____ to escape those who sought Jesus' life. Matt: 2:14

Remember, when Jesus was born an angel told the shepherds and a star was a sign to the wisemen. The wisemen sought until they found the saviour of men. Wise men (women and children) today still seek the Lord Jesus.

Goodby for now. The Lord willing, I'll C. U. next issue of the "Report."

I may not always know the way
 Wherein God leads my feet.
 But this I know, that round my path
 His love and wisdom meet.
 And so I rest content to know
 He guides my feet where'er I go.

I may not always understand
 Just why He sends to me
 Some bitter grief, some heavy loss
 But though I cannot see
 I kneel and whisper through my tears
 A prayer for help, and know He hears.

My cherished plans and hopes
 may fail,
 My idols turn to dust,
 But this I know: My Father's love
 Is always safe to trust.
 These things are dear to me, but still
 Above them all I love His will.

Oh precious peace within my heart
 Oh blessed rest to know
 A Father's love keeps constant watch
 Amid life's ebb and flow.
 I ask no more than this: I rest
 Content and know His way is best.

—Author Unknown

Habit is a cable; we weave a thread of it every day, and at last we cannot break it. — Horace Mann.

It is nice to be important, but it's also important to be nice.

Teen Talk

—EDWIN MODRICK

LOOK AT IT THIS WAY.

The most welcomed season of the year has again arrived. Just a few days ago, our minds were turned by the thought of being thankful. At this particular time, however, we are not only thankful, but awed at the thought of the past two thousand years when the most notable event to ever cross the minds of the human race had fully developed.

From one aspect, life hasn't made too many drastic changes since the Roman world in which Jesus was born. I was wondering why we couldn't think of the time of this eventful birthday, and realize what effect the first coming of Christ had on the lives of that era.

Jesus was born in the manner any other child could be born, with the exception of His fatherhood. The Holy Spirit was given in conception to Mary the mother of Jesus, and from this time forth the footsteps of humanity were to be altered. This was to be a birth to change the course of people, places, and time.

In a small city, in a small nation, and in a small town, our Lord was born. What did this birth mean to us? What did it mean to the population of that place and time? When some acquired the knowledge, it meant nothing to them. For the most part, this child who was wrapped in swaddling clothes, had no particular emphasis on the mind of mankind.

To a select few, however, it meant the threshold of events to follow that nearly staggers the imagination of the human family. No other person or persons have ever affected the lives of so many, in so many different ways as the life and death of Jesus. He is the central figure

of the entire race and the leader of the massive column of progress. The greatest movement ever recorded was that of Jesus and His disciples.

The birth of Jesus wasn't meant to be of a single purposed nature. The plan was twofold, with the climax coming when He was probably past His thirty-third birthday. Many birthdays have come and gone and we should take advantage of the opportunity to be fully aware of the two-fold plan.

When we think of the birth of Christ it may strike us only in a mild manner. When we go ahead and consider the occasion following this, we can see a full plan of Salvation unfold before our eyes. Christ not only was born, but, born to die. Not only has this been a celebrated birth, but also a celebrated death—recorded on the pages of history.

There may be a lot of different ways to see it, but I think we can look at it from the standpoint of what it meant to humanity at the time of His birth.

Many centuries wide have come and gone, but no other name or names has ever affected the march of civilization as has the birth of this one of Galilee. He was born to live with man, yet that you and I through His death might have opportunity to be saved. SO, LOOK AT IT THIS WAY.

Your daily duties are a part of your religious life as much as your devotion.

Patience is the ability to idle the motor when you feel like stripping the gears.

The kind of success that turns a man's head leaves him facing in the wrong direction.

TIME

As we stand on the threshold of life,
And look down the road of time;
It seems we have always to live,
And it will always be sublime.

It seems that Time will never pass,
The years go by so slow.
We plan the things we want to do,
And will do, when older we grow.

Then when youth has come and gone,
And we look back to see,
It seems Time has gone so fast,
We wonder what life can really be.

It is only a vapor that passes away,
Just as a tale that is told.
It seems we haven't gone very far,
As we look back when we are old.

It is only the things we do for God,
That makes life worth living,
you know.
So let's do our best for our precious Lord,
As onward through life we go.

We may be young and gay today,
But tomorrow our eyes will be dim.
So as the Lord calls us to work now,
Let's give our strength and all to Him.

Because tomorrow will never come,
Another hour may be too late.
Time waits not on any one,
And what will be our fate?

If we have fought a good fight,
When we have finished our course;
This life hasn't been in vain,
And a crown of life we have gained.

—Florence Fields

YOUTH RALLY REPORT

The Tri-State Youth Rally was held at Baxter Springs, Kansas November 17, 1962, with students of the Bible School providing the program for the service. A solo, duet, trio, and two quartet numbers were given, also three sermonettes and a poem. Sister Ruth Dearing told a youth evangelism story which seemed to hold the interest of both young and old. The Spirit of the Lord was very much present during the entire service, which closed with a fervent time of prayer.

Ruthie Watson, reporter.

YOUTH RALLY

The Eastern Panhandle Youth Rally was held at Laverne, Oklahoma November 26, 1962. Bro. Jim Fox, president, called the meeting to order. The churches represented were Follett, Texas; Midway Country Church; and Laverne. The Woodward and Arnett churches were not represented. The Laverne church presented the program which carried the Thanksgiving theme. Special numbers were presented by all the churches present. There were 72 in attendance and the Midway Country Church won the attendance banner. The next rally will be December 17th at the Midway Country Church near Logan, Oklahoma.

PRAYER RETREAT AND YOUTH RALLY

The Dixie Crusaders for Christ met October 20 at Pine Crest, Mississippi. This was also the second day of a three day Youth Prayer Retreat at the Pine Crest Youth Camp Grounds.

The Churches of Pine Hill, Alabama; Hinton, Alabama; Snell, Mississippi and Pine Crest, Mississippi were represented. Snell won the banner for the largest attendance. The total attendance was fifty-five.

A good lesson, on giving the Lord his share, was given by the Young People, with each Church having representatives and directed by Myrtle Carney. The Prayer Retreat was a blessing to the entire area.

Reporter, Sarah Carney.

Report of Business Meeting

DECEMBER 7, 1962

**APOSTOLIC FAITH BIBLE SCHOOL
BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS**

This meeting of Ministers and Church Delegates was called to order by Chairman Olen Bachler. The group was led in singing by F. E. Waterbury after which united prayer was made around the altar. Brother Bachler then stated the purpose of the meeting: to elect a member to the Board of Trustees of the Apostolic Faith Bible School to replace Brother Otis Wade who has declined re-election after serving 17 years in this capacity. Brother Bachler spoke for himself and for the entire Movement in expressing appreciation to Brother Wade for his many years of faithful service as Bible School Trustee, then turned the floor to Brother Wade for whatever statement he might wish to make.

Brother Wade gave a brief outline of the beginning of the Bible School back in 1945. He was among those men chosen to do the preliminary investigation as to the possibility of establishing a School, choosing a site and so forth—as sort of “spying out the land.” Since that time he has served as a Trustee, and he expressed his thanks and gratitude for the privilege to serve God in this capacity. He stated: “Our God is the same God that Elijah served. He never has failed His people and He never will.” He voiced his hope and faith in God for the future in this world and for the glorious expectation of life eternal of joy and bliss in the world to come. His resignation as a Trustee was not because of any problem now facing us but because of advancing years and the feeling that God has released him from this obligation.

Following this statement the election of a new Trustee proceeded with the following result: Brother Alford Whiteley received the majority of votes and thus became the new Trustee.

An outline of the need for repairs of various kinds on the

Bible School buildings was given and it was voted to have a two-week period for ministers and laymembers to assemble to do this work, the first week to be the week immediately preceding the next term of Bible School, and the other week to be the second week of the School term, if this is needed to complete the repairs. Exact dates for this work session will be given later in the REPORT and all those who can come to help should plan accordingly.

Brother F. E. Waterbury will serve as Superintendent of the School for the 1963 term which will convene sometime the first part of September, exact dates to be announced later. Brother Waterbury was asked to give a statement concerning the present financial standing of the School and what some of the other needs are. He said that at present, all bills are paid and the School is operating “in the black”, thanks be to God who supplies every need. Some things which will be needed before another term are: double bed sheets and bedspreads; wash clothes; drapes for some of the windows. Some of the churches may wish to supply some of these needs.

There followed a period of open discussion and announcements of Youth Camps and Camp Meetings. After this the meeting was adjourned and dismissal prayer was by Jerry McClenan.

The first law that ever God gave to man, was a law of obedience; it was a commandment pure and simple, wherein man had nothing to inquire after or to dispute, for as much as to obey is the proper office of a rational soul acknowledging a heavenly superior and benefactor. — From obedience and submission spring all other virtues, as all sin does from self-opinion and self-will.

NEW YORK TO CALVARY

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terly so many years ago over this ancient city. Then we viewed Pilate's hall where Christ was tried and condemned, and saw the thorns from which His crown was platted, and entered the prison which He and the thief Barabbas shared, literally a hole in the rocks. We visited the place of Christ's birth, and cruel Calvary, and last and most blessed, the empty tomb. Because He lives we shall live also.

Before leaving this ancient city of wonders, we shopped in the quaint shops, walked the route of Calvary, viewed some of the Moslem temples, and then went on to Jordan for a great baptismal service. On the way to the famous Jericho, city of palm trees, we saw the sycamore tree Zachaeus climbed to see Jesus. So great were these experiences and our speed of travel so fast that it is impossible to pen into words the tremendous spiritual impact of it all. Shepherds still tending their sheep in primitive style, natives still treading grain as the great champion Samson was made to do after losing his power with God. The night before departure we were served an Arabian meal in Arabian custom. Most places cater to American tourists but in each land we ate one meal familiar to its people. After leaving this city with unforgettable emotions, we went to Egypt a land of enchantment, where we were treated royally and our Brother Samuel was welcomed with open arms. Here we saw the noted site of the land of Goshen, we dined in the tower of Cairo, viewed the great city with amazement, toured the Nile by night after enjoying services with the natives. Two services were conducted, first one for the women, then one for the men, both of which were packed to capacity with people standing half way down the street.

We also saw the home where Jesus was a refuge during the slaughter of the babies during Herod's cruel reign. Then we saw the approximate site where Moses was literally fished from the

water. Then as a high-light of the tour in Egypt, we made a camel ride. As a woman viewing the kingdom from a camel, one can imagine the ride of the Queen of Sheba as she rode to Jerusalem to see king Solomon. Then as farewell to Egypt we toured a famous museum where king Tut's casket now rests since being removed from his pyramid. From Egypt we travelled to Greece, then on to Rome where we visited the catacombs, saw the ruins of the place where early Christians were tortured; also the prison where Paul wrote many of the Epistles, and where he was later beheaded. We also viewed the new Rome, a fabulous city built by Mussolini before the second world war, and toured the famous St. Peter's Basilica, known as the largest Christian church in the world. In Athens, Greece, we spent a day and a half and visited the Acropolis, the Parthenon, and Mars Hill where Paul made his famous speech to the Athenians about worshipping the Unknown God.

We found all the people to be very lovely indeed. After returning to Rome we continued on to Paris and had a great day there where we visited the wax museum, the only one of its kind in the world, with its great portrayal of Christ from His birth to Calvary. Also scanned the Eiffel Tower, Napoleon's tomb, Notre Dame, and many other points of interest. Napoleon once said "The Bible is no mere book, but a living creature with a power that conquers all that oppose it." From here we went to London to spend a day and saw the changing of the guard at the Royal Palace, West Minster Abbey, and many other things. Then on to Brussels, our place of departure, thence to New York City and home.

God is so good to man. What a great God we serve!

—Mrs. Hazel Klein, Alvin, Tex.

THE WHOLE ARMOR

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harmless, whether they proceed from fear, from lust, or from doubts. We have the promise which stands good for the whole

future of the conflict whereby ye SHALL be able to stand. In simple faith we can trust God to bring us faith victorious. The word "ALL" is important, God means us to be always victors in the fight.

Verse 17: "And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." The helmet of salvation is something we are to take from God's own Hand. The breastplate is of faith and love, while the helmet is SALVATION, guarding the most noble and vital part of man. Through the blood of Christ, salvation is ours. The "Sword of the Spirit," which is the word of God, is the one offensive weapon which our Lord used so successfully in His conflict with Satan. This sword is of God, it is His word which He gives to us through the Holy Spirit. The word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword. If, when the tempter approaches us, we meet him with the word of God we shall put him to flight. How necessary it is to study and memorize the word of God, so that being stored in mind and heart we might be victorious when Satan assaults us.

Verse 18: "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints." We are to pray always, on every occasion; every time we need guidance, inspiration or power in the service of our Lord we are to pray, to look beyond ourselves to our Omnipotent Saviour. The attitude of our minds is to be one of perpetual prayer, continually maintaining a trustful, humble commitment of our lives to the Lord's will and grace.

We are to pray with all prayer in humble petition, in steadfastness, in watching thereunto with all persistence; in intercession for all saints, in Divine guidance and always in the Spirit. Prayer is the "larger" word, it includes the whole attitude and action of our approach to God: All saints are to be included in our prayer. The whole warfare is wrought out in prayer. The Armour of God is effective only in prayer.

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