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Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. Psalms 95:2-3

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Editorial Voice

This time last year we were going through a lot of hustle and bustle at our house. Not only were we preparing for the holidays that come this time of year but we were getting ready for our daughter's wedding. Oh, there certainly was alot to be done! Day after day something else was added to the already long list and that meant another shopping trip. Finally after months of preparation the wedding day was here. We hoped nothing was forgotten and all would go smoothly. We wanted this to be a perfect day for our daughter and son-to-be.

We arrived at the church several hours early so that we could double check everything. Soon it was time for us to get ready ourselves. Again last minute checks on the flowers, attendants gowns and and last but not least the bridal gown. It was so beautiful! We knew we had chosen just the right one. The bridal shop had pressed it with great care and it had been hung a certain way so it would not have any wrinkles in it and had been covered so that no dust or anything could touch it. Finally it was on the bride and it was perfect as far as our eyes could see. The time had come and she was ready to meet her bridegroom at the altar to become his wife. It was a joyous day!

Another marriage is being planned and the invitation has been given: "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: For the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her it was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. And he saith unto me, write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the lamb. And He saith unto me, these are the true sayings of God. (Rev. 19:7-9) Preparations are being made-we have much to do. Our wedding garments must be ready, clean and white without spot or wrinkle. II Cor. 7:1

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse our selves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

I Thess. 5:23-And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 12:14-Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

I Peter 1:16-Because it is written, be ye holy, for I, am holy.

II Peter 3:14-Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may found of Him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

This is our day of preparation. It will be such a joyous day to hear Him say "well done". The marriage day will soon be here, let's all be ready.

Karen Oakes

A. F. REPORT

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The Board Members of the Apostolic Faith Bible College would like to inform you that the properties of the Shattuck, Oklahoma and the Lovington, New Mexico, churches have been passed to the Bible College. It is not our desire to sell these properties so we extend to the ministers of the Apostolic Faith Movement. If you have a burden and would like to reopen one of these churches, please contact Ted Barker, president of the Bible College Board.

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From the Superintendent's Desk



The dates of Sept. 30th to Oct. 3rd were Revival Time for us at the school. Bro. Ron Martin, pastor from Canyon, Texas, was our evangelist. We praise the Lord for each sermon and as Christians we expected miracles to happen and they did. Many blessings were received during this time. Several received the Holy Spirit, many dedicated their lives to God and there were many other blessings.

There have been several visitors come by since the opening of our school term. It is always a pleasure to have you and enjoy your fellowship. You can see first hand the operation of our school.

We are happy to report to you that a little over \$5,000.00 has in the last few weeks been paid on the debt of our New Bible Collge Building. Keep the money coming and we'll soon see this debt totally wiped out. Praise the Lord!

The need of beef for our deep freezers still exists. Please help us with this need. Also continue to remember the financial need of both the General fund and Faculty Fund. Our thanks to those who do their part toward all these need, but wouldn't it be wonderful if everyone shared in this responsibility? Think about what you can do and then become a committed Christian to God's work.

Please continue to hold us up in daily prayer. This determines the success of our school and aids us in the study of God's word.

Thank you and God bless you,
Supt. Jack Cornell



Views of the Girls Dorm

There is a young woman who lives in a dorm,
She has 22 girls which is not quite the norm.
Though a mischievious lot, she has to agree,
Their spirits are sweet, and in the Lord they are free.

Oh, they laugh when they're happy, and cry when they're
blue

Just like any and all young girls will do.
But regardless the problem or how hard the task,
They always respond with an affirmative, when asked.

They are living in and learning more about life's sweetest
zest,

That is, Jesus, our Saviour, who always is best.
They are seeking to know Him to be all they can be,
And reaching for the best gifts, as in His Word they see.

We share a sweet bond, these girls and I,
For Jesus has bound us in a very strong tie.
His love, ever-reaching, ever-searching our hearts,
Is making us His family, in which we all have a part.
Shari Cook
Dorm Mom

CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY FOR AFBC



We express our thanks to Rev. A.W. Ferguson and his family for a beautiful new "Grand" piano for the Bible College. This piano is given in memory of Sis. Ferguson who passed away a few years ago. Words cannot express our feelings. Thank you Bro. Ferguson and family.



Divine Healing - It's Real

Three years ago I fell and broke some ribs. When I fell I also pulled something out of place. It gradually got worse. My right arm would go numb when I did anything. It got to the point that I couldn't sleep because it hurt nearly all of the time. When the Apostolic Faith Bible College choir visited our church about a year ago Bro. Jack Cornell asked if anyone had a need spirit, soul or body. The farthest thing from my mind was being prayed for, but when he asked that question I knew that this was the time. I went forward and Bro. Cornell and Bro. Otto Busch laid hands on me. It was like something warm started at the top of my head and went all the way to the bottom of my feet. The Lord touched me. Praise His Name!

I've always been taught that healing was real but I was afraid to tell anyone. I didn't even tell my husband for a week. The devil kept telling me that if I told it wouldn't be real. Finally I testified in our church and now I want to share this with others. The Lord does heal. It's real.

Iletha Bard
Joplin, MO.

Let's Be A Blessing

Dear Friends,

For some time I have had something on my heart, but never had the courage to write about it. We have seen several of our churches closed in recent years, for different reasons. I feel that one reason is because there isn't enough money to support a pastor and keep the Church going. I have often wondered why some of our larger churches don't 'adopt' or sponsor some of these churches and help support them.

Until recently, we have always pastored small churches, and usually country churches. We have gone through some very hard times, which might have been avoided if we could have had some outside help. These churches have people that tithe faithfully and support the church all they can, but when they are so low in number, it is just very difficult. Usually when a young minister gets out of Bible College, and goes out to pastor a church, he ends up in a small church because the larger ones want more experienced pastors. He soon has to get a job to support his family which takes up so much of his time, he doesn't have much time left for church work. Some have gotten so discouraged they have quit ministry, to support their families. It's easy to criticize them, but have you ever gone through that experience?

I'm sure most of us can think of a church or young minister that needs our support. I don't think missionary efforts have to be in a far-off country. I believe that God would bless us if we would sponsor a church in need.

Loretta Haney
Rockdale, Tx.

*Keep Consecrated,
Saturated,
and
Separated.*

Be Thankful

By George Wells Arms

The thanks of the lips may be polite; but it is the thanks of the heart that rings true and warms the heart of the one who receives it.

Moreover, gratitude is the test of character. Shakespeare tells us that the winter wind is not so unkind as man's ingratitude. The wind may chill the body, but ingratitude chills the soul.

Of course, there may be some who say, "I have nothing for which to be thankful." Such a one is poor indeed. These words flow only from a poverty-stricken heart-unhappy, bitter jealous, and covetous. Did you ever notice that the poor are often more thankful than the rich? The reason is that the poor more frequently count their blessings. They have God's sun and air, health and life, and loved ones; the things that make life rich indeed. Our thankfulness is not measured by the amount of our possessions. The man with a thankless heart is poor, and the man with a thankful heart is rich.

When we are offered a gift, then snatch it out of the hand of the giver and say, "That's mine; it belongs to me anyway," there is no gratitude there. How often a child does that, and "a thankless child is sharper than a serpent's tooth." Yet, that is what countless thousands do to their Heavenly Father, counting every earthly blessing, plus all the beauty of this world, as theirs by their own right.

Once again, our nation is summoned to observe its national day of Thanksgiving. We do not thank a thing, nor a law of nature, nor luck; we thank a Person. We do not thank America; we thank God for America. Whether it was on the bleak New England shores of the Pilgrims, or in the dark days of the Civil War when Abraham Lincoln called our nation to give thanks, or today; how much there is to be thankful for to God. Yet, when our God looks down upon this nation which we want Him to bless, I wonder if He sees us snatching everything out of His hand, boasting of our own sufficiency, or does He see us in His courts giving thanks? How much do we warm His heart? How much can we expect His mercy and blessing?

Then, above all this, we hear the clear call, "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift" (II Cor. 9:15), referring to His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. We can't be thankful for that which we refuse to accept. Our hearts will never know the thrill of that joy if we have not accepted Him. Christ has come, the gift of God's love, freely offered to all, and, if our hearts are not warmed with gratitude, it is because we have not received Him. The gift of \$100,000 does not rejoice you, if you turn it down; moreover, it is not yours for which to be thankful until you take it.

If you have not done so, then do it now. Get down on your knees and accept Christ as your Saviour from sin and as the Lord of your life. When a gift is offered, all that we can do is accept it. A gift is not to be worked for, nor paid for, but received. So it is with God's unspeakable gift, eternal life in His Son. Join that great company who sing from the heart, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," united in their shout of triumph.

"Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!" (I Cor. 15:57).

"Thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ!" (II Cor. 2:14).

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November Notes

Galena, Kansas

Greetings from our church! Praise the Lord! He is still saving souls! We were blessed when we saw a soul come to the Lord on Sunday night, Oct. 6. The whole church rejoiced.

On Sept. 24 we had cake and coffee and a card shower for Sis. Yvonna Whitely's birthday.

We were glad to have Bro. and Sis. E. K. Cornell in service with us on Oct. 7 for the morning service. The service was annointed in a special way.

We invite all of our brothers and sisters to come by and visit us.

Howard Whitely - Pastor

May Rowland - Reporter

Midway, Okla

On April 18, the Midway Church had a Passover Feast at the Midway Community Building. It was our first, and it was a very inspirational service. Wish you could have all attended and enjoyed it with us. The presence of the Lord was with us.

June 6th, Brother Gene Cornell had our prayer service as Bro. and Sister Taylor were in Colorado Springs.

Our church has been enjoying Jana Sanger and Joanna Jett being home from Bible School and helping in the church services, but now they have gone to college. Jana goes to college in Weatherford, Okla. and Joanna goes to college in Goodwell, Okla. We miss them, but they do come home now and then, and are in church.

Camp Meeting has come and gone for another year, and the Lord blessed in every service. People left the camp grounds feeling good in the blessings of the Lord.

October 12, the Bible School Choir visited Midway and had services. It was enjoyed by one and all, then after the singing there was a lunch served to all that would come to the Community Building. After the lunch the girls and boys went to different homes for the night, with families of the church.

October 14, there was an old fashioned singing at the Midway Church from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. All surrounding communities being invited with each of them taking part in the singing if they cared to.

Bro. and Sister Steve Arnall helped his folks in a Revival meeting in Arnett in Oct. and Sister Arnall (Steve's mother) had the women's prayer service on Tuesday morning for the Midway ladies. She did a great job. Women left with a blessing after hearing Sister Arnall. Thanks Sister Arnall. Come again soon.

We are praying for the Lord to send us a great Revival to Midway, so please help us pray. There are so many souls that are lost and undone and unconcerned about eternity. The Lord loves them, and we do too.

Bob Taylor - Pastor

Enid, Oklahoma

Greetings to all of you,

We are happy to still report victory in our church. Each week we see answers to prayers and know God is still mindful of the needs of His people. We've had several who have been sick but most of them are doing better now. Our attendance is about the same but we keep praying for it to grow.

Our Ladies Missionary group met last month at the parsonage with a salad luncheon. It was our first meeting since the vacation of the summer months and it was well attended.

Everyone enjoyed the visit and sermon when Brother and Sister Clarke came recently. We'd enjoy more visitors so do stop by and see us.

Robert and Dora Beydler, Pastors

Stockton, California

It's been some time since we have written to the report. Although we have had our share of trials and are short in number the Lord is blessing very much.

The Brocks are doing a wonderful job here as pastors and we appreciate and love them very much.

The Lord has blessed in every project that we've undertaken. We put a new roof on the parsonage and are getting ready to carpet the church sanctuary.

We would like to say a special thanks to the ministers who have come by and had services for us. Bro. Paul Baily, Bro. Olen Bachelor, Bro. Floyd Lamunyon-May the Lord bless them.

We've recently had the Bob Palmers with us and although they were going through a real trial, our lives will be better because of them.

We invite anyone who plans to visit California to come visit us. Our doors are always open. May God bless you.

Lee Brock - Pastor

Ella Swain - Reporter

Pampa, Texas

It has been sometime since we sent in a report. But we are alive and doing well. Our attendance has increased and we are happy that School has begun for we were low in attendance for the summer. Vacations and week end trips made us very small. The past Sundays have been wonderful and we are rejoicing that we are increasing.

Our Pastor, Austin Sutton, has been bringing wonderful lessons to us and we are so thankful for that. One very needed lesson was on "RESPONSIBILITY" and it was well received and a good Altar Service followed.

Several attended the September meeting of the Preacher Laity Meeting at Perryton.

We enjoyed having the Bible College Choir in concert with us October 21.

God has been so good to us and we are thanking Him for all good things that have come our way.

God bless each one and we welcome all visitors when you are passing by Pampa if it is on Service Nights or Sundays we would be glad for you to stop and worship with us.

Pastor - Austin Sutton

Reporter - Anabel Simmons

Kingman, Kansas

We praise and thank our Lord and Saviour for His continued blessings, love and mercy.

We are thankful for the refreshing revival that Bro. and Sis. Elmer Christenson of Bentonville, Ark. conducted for our church in May. The messages were a great encouragement to all.

Our hearts were challenged when Bro. and Sis. T.S. Abraham of India, showed their slides of the work in India. How we praise the Lord for God's workers who are so dedicated as they serve the Lord. It makes us realize we must be "up and about the Father's business".

Oct. 24 was the date that the choir of the Apostolic Faith Bible College were at the Kingman Church for their concert. Their services have always been a wonderful inspiration and spiritual blessing.

We have finished some additional work on the basement classrooms, painting the walls, and the floors, and the addition of carpets and curtains have really made them a cozy place to learn about the Lord.

We ask for your prayers that we will be lead by the Holy Spirit as we strive to do His Will.

Pastors Bro. and Sis. Mike Brening.

Webb City, Mo.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow! The blessings have been flowing in Webb City. We recently finished a wonderful revival with Bro. M.D. Methvin as evangelist. The Lord met with us in each service as we saw him save souls, sanctify believers and fill with the precious Holy Spirit. We have feasted at His table. Now it is time for us to work in His vinyard. The word admonishes us to work while it is yet day. We need to be about the master's business.

We have enjoyed the ministry of the Apostolic Faith Bible College students in our services from time to time. We appreciate young people who have a desire to serve God with all of their hearts.

Let us all hold fast and stay true to the Gospel. Praise Him for His greatness!

O.A. Busch - Pastor
Donna Kinser - Reporter

Dear Friends in the Lord,

We receive the Apostolic Faith Report every month and it is just like a letter from home. We enjoy it very much and have prayed all these years for our Bible School. We love the truth that was brought to us in a revival forty-three years ago in the little school house east of Spearman, Texas. We now go to an Assembly of God Church in Checotah. We have a good church but of course we still stand for our faith. God Bless the school and all that has a part.

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GOD WANTS TO USE YOU
STUMBLING AND ALL
BUT HE WON'T DO SO
IF YOU REFUSE TO GET UP

Chuck Swindoll

Dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings in the precious name of Jesus Christ our Lord! We praise God for the wonderful privilege we had to have fellowship with the dear ones in the different churches of the Movement during our visit to this country this time.

Attending the Camp meeting at Laverne, Okla helped us to praise God with all the brothers and sisters who gathered there. Spending sometime with Rev. Marcus Adair and Sister Mary at Canyon, Texas was another opportunity to praise God for all that He has done. Seeing the growth of the student center there inspired us very much.

Staying at the Apostolic Faith Bible College guest house for about two weeks and teaching the students and eating with them and listening to the good singing made us very happy. Brother Jack Cornell and family, all the staff members and students of the College have been very loving towards us. May the good Lord bless them all.

By the grace of God our Bible College at Hebron, Kumbanad, Kerala, India is in session now with 38 students and 5 teachers. The graduates from our Bible Collge who are working for the Lord in unevangelised areas write to us about their problems and ministry. We are helping them financially as the Lord provides the means. Souls are being saved and added to the church in several places. As we have the responsibilities of the Bible College, supervising the churches and planning for our forthcoming annual convention we are going back to India by the first week of November.

We express our gratitude to all the individuals, families and churches that are praying for us and helping our work in India. We covet your valuable prayers.

With Christian love and regards,
Yours in His Service,
Bro. and Sis. T.S. Abraham
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While visiting A.F.B.C., Bro. & Sis. Abraham prepared a special meal for the students and faculty. Their visit was truly enjoyed by all. God bless their labors.

NEW ARRIVALS

WALKER

Bobby and Glowanda Walker of Perryton, Texas announce the birth of their second daughter, Shelly Brook. She was born Sept. 19, 1984 and weighed 7 lb 12 oz. She has a sister, Kori, who is 4 years old.

Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Hollis Quesenbury of Hardesty, Okla. And Mr. & Mrs. Harold Walker of Dumas, Texas. Great-grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Chester Martin of Hardesty and Mr. Leonard Smtih of Sunray, Texas.

HOSKINS

Mr. & Mrs. Ronnie Hoskins of Arnett, Okla announce the birth of their daughter, Kristi Leigh, on Sept. 10, 1984. She weighed 8 lbs. 2 1/4 oz.

Maternal grandparents are Rev. & Mrs. Elmer Christenson of Bentonville, Ark. Paternal grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Hoskins of Arnett, Okla.

Great-grandparents include Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Buchanan of Leakey, Texas, Alice Christenson of Texarkana, Ark. and Lula Hoskins of Harper, Kansas.



Obituary of Ethel Mae James

Ethel Mae Holt was born May 16, 1921 at Alex, Ok to Lela and Ervin Holt. She came with her parents to the Oklahoma Panhandle in October of 1930, settling southeast of Hardesty in the Camrick Community.

On August 9, 1943, at Spearman, TX., Ethel Mae was united in marriage to Herman James. After Herman's discharge from the Armed Forces in January, 1946, they made their home southeast of Hardesty, where they have remained for 38 years.

Her parents, two brothers and one sister preceeded her in death.

To mourn her passing are:

Her husband-Herman

2 sons-J.E. James and wife, Vickee of Yukon, Ok and Wesley James of Hardesty, Ok.

1 daughter-Sherlene James of Hardesty, Ok.

1 granddaughter-Heather James of Yukon, Ok.

Many nieces, nephews, aunts and cousins, and host of friends also mourn her passing.

The life of Ethel Mae James will not soon be forgotten. Her expressions of kindness through kind deeds, willingness to share her love with others, and the sending of cards to those she loved will always be remembered.

Her Christian life began in the early 1940's at a Brush Arbor meeting south of Hardesty. She continued to serve her Lord until her death by participating in such activities as

teaching Sunday School, teaching in numerous Vacation Bible Schools, and serving as President of the Range Women's Missionary Council for over 20 years.

As a young adult until 1968, she was active member of the Range Community church then attended the Gray Community Church until her death.

Ethel Mae passed from this life on Thursday, Sept. 13, 1984, in Shattuck, Ok. following a lengthy illness. Funeral servies were held on Sunday, Sept. 16, 1984 from the High School Auditorium, Hardesty, Ok, at 2:30 p.m. Officiating minister were Rev. Howard Stone, Pastor, Gray Community Church; Rev. Jack Cornell, superintendent Apostolic Faith Bible College, Baxter Springs, KS; Rev. Leland Grimmer, pastor, Apostolic Faith Church, Spearman, TX. Music was provided by Jack & Kathryn Cornell, Marlene & Bob Barnes singing "One Day at a Time"; J.E. James singing "Unworthy". Annabelle Kerns was the pianist; Kathryn Cornell served as the organist. Serving as pallbearers: Ray Shorb, Jr., Dwayne Mitchell, Arlo Gibson, Dick Rider, Dale Kerns, Jack Tregallas, Robert Fish, and Cody Harris. Internment was in the Hartville Cemetery, Hardesty, Ok. and Funeral arrangements were by Henson Funeral Home of Guymon, Ok.

Jesus Is The Only Way

I am not a wealthy person
 I have no fortune or fame
 But I know I'm rich indeed
 Because I live in Jesus name.
 You see it is not fortune or fame
 That seem's important to me
 Because Jesus is the Lord of my life
 The important one is He.
 For I have felt God's blessings
 And I have sat in His presence
 Enjoying peace from above.
 My priorities now have all changed
 My future's in God's hands.
 I want to live for Jesus
 And to witness as much as I can.
 I haven't always felt this way,
 The joy I have in my soul.
 It's something that is so beautiful
 The greatest thing one could ever know.
 I know I have the Holy Spirit
 Living in my life,
 He gives me strength when I'm weary
 And peace instead of strife.
 If I'm always yielded
 He will never ever leave.
 And to this promise of redemption
 My soul shall forever cleave.
 For I shall live with Jesus
 In my new home someday.
 I know now and shall never forget-
JESUS IS THE ONLY WAY!

Vanessa Oakes

*Pray For Our
Apostolic Faith
Bible College*

**Bylaws of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, Inc.
ARTICLE VII
Doctrine**

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

Triune God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit
Creation and Formation

Man is basically sinful and in need of Salvation

Salvation by Grace upon repentance toward God and acceptance of Jesus Christ as one's personal Saviour, which is the conception of Spiritual Life.

Santification of the Spirit, soul and Body. A second definite work of Grace by the Lord Jesus Christ.

Baptism of the Holy Spirit; evidenced by speaking in other languages.

Water Baptism (of all believers) by immersion in water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Sacrament of the Lord's supper.

Washing of Feet.

Divine Healing through Jesus Christ for all believers.

Do not condone divorce and remarriage. Matthew 19:8-9.

Destruction of the Wicked.

Conditional Immortality.

Rapture of the Man Child Class.

Return of Jesus Christ to earth again; bodily and visibly.

A Ministry supported by tithes and offerings.

These basic doctrines shall be adhered to in the teaching of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, which in addition to other doctrinal teaching approved by the Board from time to time are not inconsistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

BEHOLD...A BALL TEAM

Behold, a ball team--went forth to play a game of ball. Just as the umpire was saying, "Batter up!" the catcher for the home team arrived and took his place. The centerfielder and the second baseman didn't arrive until the second innings. The first baseman didn't come at all, but later sent his regard saying he had to go to a chicken dinner at Aunt Mary's.

The third baseman likewise failed to show up having been up late the night before and he preferred to spend the day in bed. The left fielder was away at another ball game across town. The shortstop was present but left his glove at home.

Verily, when the pitcher entered the box, he looked around to see his team mates, and lo, his heart was heavy when he saw so many empty places in the lineup. The game had been announced and the visitors were already in the stands to see the game. There was nothing left for him to do but go ahead and pitch and hope for the best. So the pitcher tightened up his belt, stepped into the box and did his level best to put one over the plate.

But for some strange reason he just could not find the groove. Some of his team mates began to rib him for wild pitches and loud "Boos" began to come from the stands. At the close of the game, the home team (what there was of it) was unmercifully beaten. After hearing of the disgraceful defeat, the rest of the team decided that a new pitcher should be hired. It must have been the poor pitcher who had lost the game.

BEHOLD...A PREACHER GOT UP TO PREACH...But that's another story...

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