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Trinity of the God-Head
I John 5:7

Repentance [Act of Man;]
Mark 1:14, 15
II Peter 3:9
Acts 3:19

Conversion [Justification] [Act of God]
[First definite work of grace]
Matt. 18:3
Acts 13:38, 39
II Cor. 5:17

Consecration [Act of Man]
Romans 12:1, 2

Sanctification [Act of God]
[Second definite work of grace]
Hebrews 13:12, 13
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I Thess. 5:23

Baptism of the Holy Ghost
Luke 3:16
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Acts 10:45, 46

Divine Healing
Matt. 4:23
I Peter 2:24
James 5:14-16

No Divorce and Remarriage
Luke 16:18
I Cor. 7:39

Redemption of the Saints
Matt. 24:29-31
Rev. 1:7, 12:5
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Second Coming of Christ
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Thousand Year reign of Christ
Rev. 20:6
Rev. 20:4

First and Second Resurrections
Rev. 20:4-6

Conditional Immortality
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John 10:10
I John 5:11, 12
Romans 2:7

Creation and Formation
Gen. 1:26-28 [Created race]
I Peter 3:19, 20; 4:6
II Peter 2:4, 5,
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Destruction of the Wicked
Matt. 7:13
II Thess. 1:7-9
Romans 6:23
Mal. 4:1

Tithes and Offerings
Mal. 3:8, 10
Luke 11:42

Ordinances
Water Baptism [by immersion]
Matt. 28:19
Romans 6:3, 4
The Lord's Supper
Matt. 26:26-28
I Cor. 11:23-30
Feet Washing
John 13:4, 5, 14

Promises of God's Strength

The Lord permits us to learn our own weaknesses through the various problems, troubles and trials that come to us. We seek to stand in our own strength, and we fall. Through our own failures we learn to lean upon the Lord and His great Strength and to trust *His Promises*.

Isaiah 40:31—They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength (they shall put on strength as a new garment); they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint.

II Corinthians 12:9-10—And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

Philippians 4:13—I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

II Timothy 1:12—For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

James 4:10—Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

I Peter 5:10—But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

I Corinthians 15:57—But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Genesis 18:14—Is anything too hard for the Lord.

Luke 1:37—For with God nothing shall be impossible.

Psalm 50:15—Call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me.

Psalm 31:24—Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord.

Psalm 27:14—Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

Psalm 18:1-2—I will love thee, O Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.

Proverbs 18:10—The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

Proverbs 3:5-6—Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Satan— Head of All Evil Forces

by Deana Fish

"Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall." Pro. 16:18. Looking at Satan, the leader of all fallen spirits, we can see this scripture clearly illustrated.

Eze. 28:15 tells us that at one time Lucifer was perfect, but iniquity was found in him. This iniquity being pride, or a haughty spirit. Verse 17 says it well, "Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou has corrupted thy wisdom by reasons of thy brightness"...Old Lucifer was after God's throne but his power was by far surpassed by God and Lucifer was cast down to earth with his third of the angels. (Rev. 12:4) In the following verses we see more evidence of the Pride of this **once** perfect angel of God. Isa. 14:13,14 "For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High."

a measure. They were exposed. Verse 12 "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning!" Satan is still allowed today to appear in heaven, before God's throne, to accuse us, the children of God. We see this so plainly in Job's life. Let's examine the scripture carefully, "Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them." Job 1:6. Satan then told the Lord that He had placed a hedge around Job and if He would remove it Job would curse God. Satan repeatedly, after every defeat, came back to accuse Job before God. So it is with us, as Satan is before God even today accusing us. We have a High Priest who is Jesus Christ at the right hand of God, making intercession for us. (Heb. 8:3,4).

In the New Testament we see Satan's craftiness and deception. II Cor. 4:3,4, "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost. In whom the god of this world hath **blinded the minds** of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God should shine unto them." Satan works on, and in all humanity. The only protection is through the precious blood of Jesus covering our lives. If we do not have this protecting power over our lives, the god of this world (Satan) will blind us. He will be so cunning and treacherous that it happens before one realizes it. Satan is working hard and is quickly blinding the minds of men and women today. These people are deceived, also, because "they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved." IIThess. 2:10b.

As time progresses and God's time table comes to an end, let us visualize the conclusion, lead up to by all these events. The man-child class is redeemed from the earth and the woman flees to the wilderness. There is war in heaven,

Michael and his angels war against the dragon and his angels. (Rev. 12:7). Michael is victor (Rev. 12:9) and the great dragon, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world, is cast out. He was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him, as we have already designated, "for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night." Satan is now no longer extended the privilege to accuse the children of God, as foretold in Verse 12..."for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." Progressing on, in Revelation 13:7 we find "And it was given unto him to make war with the saints and to overcome them." Satan is able to do great miracles. He possesses greater power than ever before. Some will be overcome by his power and because of his deception and people's lack of love for the truth they will ultimately worship the beast. But, Rev.12:11 reminds us that there will be overcomers, "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death."

Rev. 20:1-4 tells us that during the millennial reign, Satan will be bound. For one thousand years Satan will not be able to roam upon the earth as before, deceiving, tricking and tempting mankind. After this space of time, Satan will meet his final defeat. "And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever." Rev. 20:10. Matt. 25:41 tells us that this lake of fire was prepared for the devil and his angles; but we have reason to acclaim that Satan's followers will take part also. "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." Rev. 20:15, & 21:8.

Through all of this, Christ will be victor once again, and for all time. This is the reason for Christ's coming in the flesh, Heb. 2:14. "...that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil", the last and final enemy shall be destroyed, which is death as found in I Cor. 15:26.

As Christ will reign for ever and ever and Satan..., "Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick, therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee. And they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror, and NEVER SHALT THOU BE ANYMORE. Eze. 28:18,19. Satan is destroyed!

Turning our attention now, to the glorious finale of all, we see that God's plan is perfect without compromise or ineffectuality. From the beginning of time much has happened with Satan's incessant efforts to obstruct, camouflage and destroy God's very creation. But, through the study of the prophetic message, and witnessing the materialization of these truths we have hope of the new promises set before us. "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea." The atmosphere and conditions of this newness will truly be heaven, "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there **shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be anymore pain:** for the former things are passed away." Rev. 21:1,4, the dispensation of time, day and night, is ended. Christ conquers, reigns, and then delivers the kingdom back, to the Father, I Cor. 15:24-28. Eternity begins!

Blood of Jesus

Volumes upon volumes could be written upon this all important subject. The Crimson Flow—the Scarlet thread—the Blood line and the Atonement price. The Blood of the Covenant—the promise of eternal life, all of this is ours and more, because Jesus gave His Blood that we might be saved. Indeed our life now and the life to come depends upon the blood, first from natural blood in our veins and the other from streams that flowed from the perfect God given Sacrifice, that is Jesus. Without further comment, I am going to let the following Scriptures speak for themselves.

1. Life in the Blood—Num. 17:11.—For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

2. Egyptian passover, An Example—Exodus 12:13.—And the Blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

3. Blood of the New Testament—Matt. 26:27-28—And he took the cup and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; for this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

4. Jesus Blood is Innocent Blood—Matt. 27:4—Saying, I have sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, what is that to us? See thou to that.

5. His Blood Be Upon Us—Matt. 27:25—Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us and on our children.

6. Blood Shed for Many—Mark 14:24—And He said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.

7. The Blood Is Shed For You—Luke 22:20.—Likewise, also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

8. Flock, Purchased—Acts 20:28.—Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, too feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

9. Through Faith In His Blood—Rom. 3:24-15.—Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness through the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God.

10. Justified By His Blood—Rom. 5:8-9—But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

11. New Testament In My Blood—I Cor. 11:25-26—After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the New Testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come.

12. Redemption Through His Blood—Eph. 1:7—In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.

13. Delivered Us—Through His Blood—Col. 1:13-14—Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins.

14. Peace Through the Blood—Col. 1:20—And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself: by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

15. Made Nigh By The Blood—Eph. 2:13-14—But now, In Christ Jesus, ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us.

16. Shedding of Blood, Necessary—Heb. 9:20-22—Saying, This is the blood of the testament which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover he sprinkled likewise with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood, and without shedding of blood is no remission of sins.

17. Purge Your Conscience, by Blood—Heb. 9:13-14—For if the blood of bulls and goats, and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

18. Enter Into Holiness by the Blood—Heb. 10:19-20—Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh.

19. Counting the Blood Unholy—Heb. 10:29—Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall be thought worthy, who trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?

20. Sanctified the People With His Own Blood—Heb. 13:13-14—Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.

21. Blood of Everlasting Covenant—Heb. 13:20-21—Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

22. Come, To the Blood of Sprinkling. Heb. 12:24-25—And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel. See that ye refuse not him that speaketh: for if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven.

23. Sprinkling of the Blood—I Peter. 1:2—Elect according to the fore-knowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied. (See Heb. 11:28 also—Moses and Israel.)

24. Precious Blood of Christ—I Pet. 1:18-19—Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as a lamb without blemish and without spot.

25. Blood, Cleanseth From All Sin—I John 1:7—But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

26. Spirit, Water and Blood Agree—I John 5:8—This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only but by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the spirit and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

27. Drinketh My Blood—St. John 6:53-56—Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you. Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.

28. Blood and Water—John 19:34-35—But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true; and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.

29. Washed White, In the Blood—Rev. 7:13-14—And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the lamb.

30. Redeemed, By Thy Blood—Rev. 5:9-10—And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; And has made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

31. Overcome, By The Blood—Rev. 12:11—And they overcame him by the blood of the lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Let us give full honor to the blood of Jesus Christ. A bloodless religion is worthless, in vain and should be avoided. Let us all thank the Lord of Heaven for His Blood given so freely to us all.

Deadline!

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

Peace

One tiny pill, that can bring hours of "false" peace or rest to an individual, weighs only a fraction of an ounce. Yet, Americans take over four tons of these barbiturates a year - and this figure doesn't take into account those obtained illegally.

People today are seeking peace - peace of mind, mental rest, some emotional security. But to them **inner** peace is based on what's happening **outside** them. If things go wrong in the world around them - their "peace" is shattered.

But, praise the Lord, as Christians our peace is not dependent on the world. Our peace is **Christ's** peace, given to us **by Him**. John 14:27. It is a peace the world can't comprehend. philippians 4:7.

Today you can have perfect peace - despite the unsettling circumstances which may surround you.

Psalm 29:11 Psalm 119:165 Isaiah 26:3

SOLOMON SAYS - KEEP YOUR COOL!

The wisdom of Solomon advises to eliminate these things from our lives in order to "keep our cool"!

Angry friends Proverbs 22:24,25

Cutting remarks Proverbs 26:18,19

Quick temper Proverbs 15:18

Proverbs 14:29

Proverbs 29:22

Hassles & problems Proverbs 12:14

Proverbs 26:17

Harsh words Proverbs 15:1

Bitterness Proverbs 19:11

Proverbs 30:33

A big mouth Proverbs 10:19

Proverbs 17:9

Backbiting Proverbs 25:23

Proverbs 16:28

Arrogance & Pride Proverbs 28:25

Proverbs 16:18

Proverbs 29:23

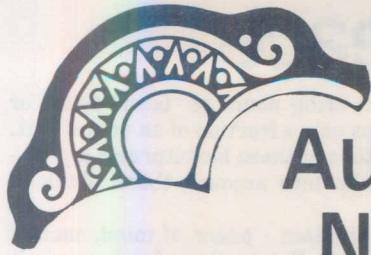


"It isn't what you'd do with a million,
If riches should e'er be your lot,
But what are you doing at present,
With the dollar and quarter you've got?"

Pearls of Promises . . .

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9



August News

Roswell, New Mexico

Greetings from the Land of Enchantment! It has been a long time since we've shared our news with you. The Lord has been so good to each of us we can't complain.

During the months of January and February came cold weather and some much needed moisture—snow. Several of our church people and friends became very ill and were in the hospital for quite some time. But with the loving-kindness of the Lord they are up and about. Praise the Lord!

March and April—In March our pastor and his family went to Hempstead and Franklin, Texas to visit with Bro. Jerome's sisters Mary Tom Peters and Lucy Wallingford.

Visitors for March were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Huckabee and Ricky, Pine Hill, Ala., Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hickman, Fort Sumner, New Mexico, Vivian and Linda Bard, Joplin, Missouri. We appreciated having these friends visit with us.

On Easter Sunday the Sunday Schol Dept. had the specials which included readings, poems and songs. We enjoy what the children and youth do in our services. Following our morning worship we had our annual Easter picnic at the park.

It was nice to have Mildred Blackman, Rockdale, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Blackman, Lexington, Texas and Mrs. Laurie Spell, Carrolltown, Texas with us in service. They were visiting Joann (Blackman) Hall and Family.

May—Our Ladies Study Group had a Mother's Day evening at K-Bob's Restaurant. This was an enjoyable evening. We praise the Lord for our Ladies Study Group and the growth we feel we have made in our lives through the study of His word.

It was nice to have Sis. Bard and Linda back with us. Linda has returned to live in Roswell and work for Hinkle Law Firm. She is also helping us out as substitute teacher.

June—V.B.S. time again and we had a wonderful time. We did something different—we didn't use literature. We used our own ideas and theme "Rescue" which proved to be a great success. Our story time was with the entire group and then to classes for craft and memory work. We made a field trip to the fire dept. along with our story about the Three Hebrew Children. Our other stories consisted of pantomimes, a ship ride with sound effects, a whale, Rescue Charlie (teaching resuscitation), etc. This will be a V.B.S. we won't forget! We thank the Lord for blessing each teacher and the children. We closed our V.B.S. with a program and a hamburger fry.

July—Several of our church people are planning to attend Camp Meeting. By the time this reaches the paper we will have gone and returned home with blessings in our hearts.

Continue to pray for us and the work in Roswell. Our pastor and his family will be with us for another year. Praise the Lord!!!

Leona Winkler
Reporter

Galena, Kansas

Dear Friends,

It has been awhile since we have put a report in, but we can still report victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. We had a great V.B.S. the first week in June. Children and workers both enjoyed a good time. A big Thank You is in order for Sis. Ava Christenson who did a lot of work getting this together.

Some of our children also enjoyed attending youth camp. We feel like they gained much from the Lord at camp.

The Lord has been good to our church. We appreciate His blessings to us. Remember us in your prayers and come by and visit us any time.

Elmer Christenson
Pastor

Arnett, Oklahoma

Greetings from Arnett, Oklahoma. We are still busy serving the Lord.

Brother Brent Blythe and family accompanied by G.W. Hicks, Cindy Hicks, and Ronnie Hoskins on a Friday and spent the week end attending the PASSION PLAY at Eureka Springs, Arkansas and they highly recommend this to any one who has an opportunity to attend. They also visited Silver Dollar City, and Tanneyville, Missouri, and then went on to the Bible College at Baxter Springs, Kansas. Ronnie Hoskins of Arnett plans to enroll in the Bible College was the reason for the visit.

We are taking this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to David McCance, Lowell Long, and Earl Malone for helping us since the Blythes moved to Rockdale, Texas to work with the youth as the Lord leads.

We are busy carrying on in service of the Lord. For our Wednesday night services, a member of the congregation takes charge and if we do not have a visiting minister for Sunday night, a member of the congregation takes charge and brings a Bible Lesson of their choice.

Yes! We are looking for a shepherd for our flock—in other words we need a pastor. Any one who might be interested should contact Loyd Barker whose telephone number is 405-885-3651, or come by the church and visit us. We have a two bedroom parsonage for the pastor's family to occupy and we pay the utility bills.

Ruby V. Kibbe
Reporter

Spearman, Texas

God has been so very good to us and we praise His name for all of His blessings. A friend shared this thought with us and we'd like to share it with you; "If we meet and you forget me you have lost nothing; But if you meet Jesus Christ and forget Him you have lost everything." Trust we haven't forgotten about Jesus Christ. It is so important to give first place in our lives.

On May 24 the church gave Edna Lee and I a beautiful quilt made by the ladies of the church. May the Lord bless each lady that had a part in any way.

We've had several visitors this summer and have enjoyed them all. June 14 the Alvin Buschmanns were here in service. We appreciate their talents. June 28 Bro. & Sis. Francis Dearing were with us in service. July 5 we enjoyed the ministry of the evangelistic group from Baxter Springs,

Kansas which consisted of Janae Harris, Kevin and Tena Cornell, Rhonda Reese, and Danny Mack Robinson. We thank the Lord for their dedication to the Lord.

We'd like to thank Bro. E. W. Dickson who took care of our service while we were at youth camp. Also we'd like to thank the 4 Seasons of Perryton, Texas for donating their old copy machine to the church here at Spearman.

We have been asked to stay another year at Spearman and we have accepted. We pray God will bless all our efforts as we work together for the cause of Christ.

Leland Grimmer

Youth Camp News

Pine Crest Youth Camp

Our encampment for this year is now history. As I glance back over the happenings of this week I find many events I would like to share with our readers.

We were filled to capacity in all the dorms and cabins for which we are very thankful. We had 56 students enrolled this year.

We had excellent response by the students into the wonderful plan of Salvation. Several were Saved, Sanctified, and filled with the Holy Spirit. On Thursday afternoon we witnessed a beautiful river side service where 11 were baptised with water.

Serving as our teachers this year were, Wanda Townsend, May Jenkins, Kathy Dalton, and Tony Bartel.

Our 11 o'clock rally was conducted by Mary Faile. Children Church by Debbie Scruggs, and Tony Bartel. Youth Service by Tammy Oakes.

Concession Stand was managed by Cleo Long.

Counselors were, Joel Doris, Don Mullins, Frank Arnall, Tammy Oakes, Debbie Scruggs and Tony Bartel.

We would like to thank the ladies from the four local Churches who cooked for us during camp. Earl Morgan kept the kitchen supplied with plenty of fresh vegetables.

Our evening speakers were John Scruggs, Earl Morgan, Frank Arnall, Jim Arnall and Roy Townsend.

We express our appreciation to the fine support of our four local Churches and their active involvement for youth camp, since their pastors are now the committee, John Blythe, Dorothy Anderson, Frank Arnall, and Myrtle Carney, who also served as chairman for this year.

Our chairman for 1982 will be Frank Arnall. And plans are already in progress with some work days in the fall and camp scheduled for the last of June, 1982. We appreciate the financial support that made this camp possible. And we are happy to report that God supplied our every need.

Midwest Youth Camp

On Monday, June 1, thirty-two young people, ages 13-16, enrolled in youth camp at Laverne, Oklahoma. They spent five days of spiritual instruction, fellowship, and recreation. Their days began with wake-up exercises, followed by Bible classes. The lessons this year were on Salvation, Sanctification, Baptism of the Holy Spirit, Redemption, and the Coming of the Lord. Next was a special lecture class on subjects relevant to today's young people: humanism, rock music, cults & witchcraft, and drugs and alcohol. Then they had a music class followed by a rally with young ministers speaking to them. The afternoon was spent in relaxation and

recreation. Then came the evening service with Bro. Barry Methvin as the evangelist. The theme of the messages was what it means to abide in Christ and how important it is. Many victories were won around the altars. Some were saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Spirit, and other blessings were received. On the last day they were asked to stand if they were closer to God than when they came. Every one of them stood up. Dismissal was on Saturday.

On Monday, June 8, camp began for those age 9-12, with 53 enrolled. Their days proceeded the same as the week before. They studied the same lessons. Bro. Barry Methvin brought messages this week on the theme of "You are humans, made by God in His image." Again God blessed in a wonderful way in the services. Dismissal was on Saturday, and another youth camp is history.

We thank God for the privilege of being in another youth camp. We are very thankful for everyone who helped in many ways. Especially for the teachers, counselors, ministers, cooks, and others. We are especially thankful for the group from the Bible College who came and worked faithfully.

Bros. M.D. Methvin and Leland Grimmer made up the committee, with Bro. Danny Robinson in charge of the kitchen.

Arnall, Reed Marriage

In the spirit of Christian joy, Carrie Arnall and Mark Reed vowed their lives to one another forever on Tuesday the sixteenth of June. The wedding took place at the Gospel Tabernacle of Granby, Mo. and was performed by Rev. Frank Arnall and Rev. Edwin Waterbury. Parents of the bride are Mr. & Mrs. Johnnie Arnall of Granby, Mo. and Mr. & Mrs. Le Roy Reed of Stark City, Mo. Mark and Carrie are making their new home in Joplin, Mo.

Obituary

Blanche Cooper



Blanche Cooper 70, R.1, Cassody, Kansas passed away May 16, 1981 at the Halstead Hospital. Services were held at the Cassody Methodist Church. Burial was in the Cassody Cemetery.

Mrs. Cooper was born March 21, 1911 near Kendrick, Okla., the daughter of Frank and Mary Wasson Griggs. She was married to Ivan Cooper in El Dorado, Kansas June 21, 1930. She was a homemaker and a resident of the Cassody area since 1913. She was converted at a early age and rededicated her life in a meeting Bro. Jim Weese held in a little country school house in the early 1950's. She was a strong believer until the end.

Survivors include her husband, Ivan of the home, two sons, Lewis B., El Dorado, Kansas and Harold R. of Augusta, Kansas, and Mary E. Unruh, Emporia, Kansas, six grandchildren and 2 greatgrandchildren.

Youth for Christ

Greetings from the Joplin, Mo. Youth Group

We are happy to have this space in the Report this month to share with you the good news of the Lord. He has been blessing us abundantly. Our church has a wonderful group of young people. Each of them are dedicated to the Lord and are willing workers. It makes our job of being youth leaders easier when you have a good group of young people to work with.

The summer months have been busy. In June the young people enjoyed a good vacation Bible School and youth camp. Several of them were able to attend the youth camp in Mississippi in July and also Camp Meeting in Baxter Springs, Kansas. The Lord has really blessed in all of these activities. We still have more activities to keep us busy before summer is over.

We hope that something that we have written for you will touch your heart. God bless you all.

**Tammy Oakes
Paula Oakes
Youth Leaders**

I suppose that most of you know what happened to me last summer. I was in a car accident. I was hurt badly and placed in intensive care. I didn't actually know what was going on because I was unconscious for 17 days. On the 18th day I was taken to Brady Rehabilitation Center. After two or three days I began to remember things but I was paralyzed on my right side. Slowly but surely the paralysis left and after about two weeks I was able to leave the rehabilitation center. During the first week of school I was an out patient but after Labor Day I was able to return to my classes as a full time student. All that I missed was five days of school and I was able to graduate with my class in May. I thank the good Lord for His healing powers. I'm so glad to be here. My plans are to attend the Apostolic Faith Bible College this fall.

Tyrone Suman

The Lord has been so good to us. I want to thank Him for blessing us all in a special way. I had the opportunity to attend two youth camps this summer and camp meeting and the Lord really blessed in all of them. I truly have felt the presence of the Lord working in my life. God is truly special to me. He has shown me to always keep Him first in my life and He will bless me in every way he can.

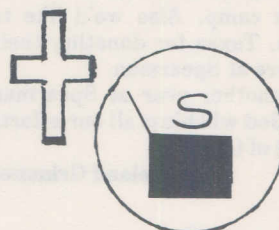
God has blessed us with a wonderful pastor and wife-Neil and Billie Ragan. We thank them for being so wonderful and for being such good Christian examples.

We are also grateful for our two youth leaders, Tammy and Paula Oakes. They have really been an inspiration to us. Thanks for everything girls.

Pray for me that I may always stay in God's will.

Valerie Oakes

BEFORE RECEIVING CHRIST

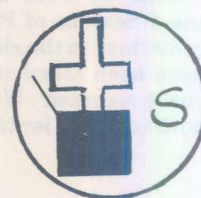


S—Self on the throne of our life.

The Cross—Christ outside our life.

The Throne—Symbolizes the throne of our life.

AFTER RECEIVING CHRIST



The Cross—Christ now is on the throne and is Lord of our life.

The Throne—Symbolizes the throne of our life.

After you let the Lord come into your life make sure you always put Him first and don't let anything get in the way of serving him. Let the Lord direct your life and things will always work out for the good.

Teresa Suman

A year ago God began dealing with me about giving my whole life to Him and so I dedicated my life to Him and began to let Him mold my life into the person He wanted me to be. I thought I had given Him my whole life but then He began dealing with me about my friends. I didn't think they were affecting me because I didn't do the things they did but I was still hanging around with them, and my Christian life was deteriorating, slowly but surely. I didn't think too much about it and then one day I realized what was happening in my life. I had some posters hanging in my locker-posters about God that really helped me in school and one day a friend of mine that was also a locker partner came along and tore them down for no reason at all. She and another friend came to me and told me they didn't want to hear anything else about God and for me to leave my religion at home where it belonged. This really upset me. And so I began finding new friends. I had always worried that I wouldn't be able to make new friends but as soon as I gave it all to God He worked it all out. I met people and started making new friends, better friends than I'd ever had before.

I also want to thank the Lord for letting me go to the youth camps in Baxter Springs and Mississippi. I really felt God's presence in both camps.

I especially want to thank Him for what He's doing in my life. I can feel His presence and I know He's making me what He wants me to be. God loves you and I do too.

Vanessa Oakes

To Be His Image

Gen. 1:26

God said, "Let us make man in our image after our likeness." Who do we pattern our lives after? The Lord began asking me that question a few months ago, and since then I have had to do some changing and some rearranging. In the world we live in today many times it's easy to be swayed by our friends, family, teachers, companions, etc. . . We try to be the person that they are or that they want us to be. And when we don't live or measure up to their standards, then through the eyes of the world we have failed. I found myself in that trap until I realized it was Jesus that made the sacrifice for me so it is Him I must live for. When I stopped living for my friends, my family or even my pastor and begin to pattern my everyday living around God's Word then that was when He began to do a work in my life. Yes, there will always be those that talk about us not living up to their expectations as a Christian but we all will stand before God for ourselves and not for another. Therefore we must do all we can every day because it won't be long before we will all be standing before the judgment bar of God and giving account of our own lives.

I Peter 2:21 "For even here unto were we called because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example that ye should follow his footsteps."

Thank God for His way He has left for us to follow in.

Tamara Oakes

Take my life, make it thine, and if I live to be a hundred let me live every day just for you.

May this be my prayer each day of my life. For as the rest of the song says I'd be lost and undone without Him and my life would surely be in vain.

God has been so good to me. For as long as I can remember He has been guiding my life and blessing my way. There has been many clouds to darken my day and many times the rain has fallen on my path but each time God brought the rainbow and moved the clouds and soon the Son would come shining through.

Once again God has blessed. There's a new path in my life that I've begun to travel and it is the path of marriage. God has given me a wonderful guy to call my own and to lean upon and He is guiding us each step of the way. We are growing each day in His love and becoming stronger in the trials we face daily. We are young, but we have God's blessings. I praise the Lord for this new blessing, for another new path to travel upon. Without God it would never work. Without Him my life would be in vain.

Be thou my guide, while I'm young; and if I live to be a hundred take my life make it thine constantly.

Carrie Reed

"But my God shall supply all our need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

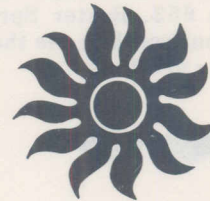
I'm so thankful that as a child of God all of heaven is at my disposal. All through my life the Lord has met my every need if I have allowed Him to. There have been times when I have tried to work things out by myself and they ended up a mess, but as soon as I turned them over

to the Lord He would always take care of it. As the songwriter said, "Because He lives I can face tomorrow, because He lives all fear is gone." Praise the Lord that all the riches in glory are His and He is more than willing to give to his people if we will ask.

Don Mullins



Front row, left to right: Tyrone Suman, Vanessa Oakes, Don Mullins, Bessie Brown, Tamara Oakes, Paula Oakes, Teresa Suman, Valerie Oakes, Lisa Oakes, Jennifer Kasper. Not shown: Mark and Carrie Reed, Pam Wilton, Doug Forbes, Renea Patton.



"The peace of God which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7

I am so thankful for that wonderful peace the Lord gives us. There have been many times in my life when I would have never made it without that peace. Before I became a Christian, I had so much turmoil within my own heart remember having such a fear within that I would lay awake at night and cry until I fell asleep. But, when the Lord saved me all that fear disappeared. From that time until now, that peace has helped me through many things.

One of the most trying experiences of my life came last December, just a few days before Christmas. My dad had been admitted to the hospital because he was ill. He had been in and out of the hospital for a year prior to this time because of a severe heart problem. The Saturday night before our Church Christmas play, I was at practice when I received a phone call from my husband, telling me to go the hospital. When I arrived, I found that my dad had gotten out of bed when apparently his heart failed him and he fell on the floor. They revived his heart, but as we found out later, he received a severe skull fracture from the fall. They told

my family and myself that there was no hope and it was just a matter of a few hours before he would pass away. It was hard to accept, but we all prepared ourselves for this. He had absolutely no brain function, so they expected his body to give up quickly. But, those few hours turned into almost four days. We all stayed at the hospital until the very end. It was hard having to wait for something like this to happen. I don't think there is anything harder to go through than losing someone you love, but, through all of this, that sweet peace was in my soul. Without the Lord and the peace He gives, I could never make it through times like this. Praise the Lord! The most wonderful thing happened one week before the accident. My dad had rededicated his life to the Lord. He knew the Lord as a child, but had become slack in his experience. He felt the need to come back to the Lord at this time. Now I have the peace of knowing that he is eternally at rest with the Lord. He won't have anymore pain and that gives me a happiness within my soul. If you haven't experienced the peace that God gives, you don't know what you're missing. I'm so thankful that one day nine years ago, Jesus saw a scared thirteen year old girl and gave her the peace she needed. I'm so thankful today that I still feel that sweet peace.

Paula Oakes

YOUTH LEADERS-Pastors

The Joplin Youth Group has shared with us how God has been blessing them. We would like to encourage other youth groups from our churches to do the same. If your youth group would like to send a page to the Apostolic Faith Report please contact the Apostolic Faith Report office, P.O. Box 653, Baxter Springs, Kansas 66713. Let's encourage our youth to use their talents for the Lord and be a blessing to others.



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"An artist can take a fifty-cent piece of canvas, paint a picture on it and make it worth \$1,000—that is art.

"God can take a worthless, sinful life, wash it in the blood of Christ, put His Spirit in it and make it a blessing to humanity—that is salvation."

The Preacher's Magazine.

Attention— Ministers, Gospel Workers

It is time again to gather information for our minister's directory. Will you please help me in this matter? I need your addresses, phone numbers and what type of ministry you are currently engaged in. This information needs to be in by the 10th of September. Thank you so much for your cooperation in this matter.

**Karen Oakes
Editor**

Put on Jesus Christ

LOVE THEY NEIGHBOR

by the late Gail Schultz

In Romans 18:10-14 there is some inspired instruction given from the works of Paul that is measure for all of us, that the blessings of a living God might be invoked upon us. Please study the lines carefully from the Bible. Love worketh no ill to his neighbor; is the first part of verse ten. The love of God how rich and rare, how pure and sweet when abiding in us, and we in that love will work, but that working will be of good and for good and not for destruction of another. To define a neighbor in our terms of today has been a source of discussion, and many times it has been used as a method of elimination and subtraction of man in place of taking in and adding to our ranks those to whom we can be a blessing. Much stress has been placed on showing love to a neighbor, and all agree that is the Christian way of living, but it is so easy to state that with no common ground or interest the unlovely are not our neighbors. Yet the parable of the good Samaritan needed only a wounded unknown party on a highway to minister the blessing that gave an eternal reward. Love is the fulfilling of the law, there is no sin, but often when there is no law God gives to man that understanding that becomes a law to him. Self justification without first testing our logic will not give

the correct answer. There is a law of life found in Christ. We should serve in the newness of the spirit and not in the oldness of the letter. Romans 7:6: So love will cover and win and defeat the powers of the enemy and establish our ways in the Lord.

AND AWAKE

Since we know the law of love, the power of God, the way of the Spirit, the hope of the soul, and Jesus the giver of this eternal common salvation; it is the hour to awake. Spiritual awakensness is necessary to all progressing Christians, from the least to the greatest, from the youngest to the oldest. No church can progress with part of its members sleeping. There is an expression from lack of circulation or action that one of our members of the body is sleeping. There is a hurting and stinging as we try to move that part of the body and we work at it until its right feeling is restored, so it is with a part of the church trying to sleep while the rest works; we must ALL awake and abide in the calling where He calls, and in the duty that He designates for us. Why all this stir and awakening? Because it is high time or full time that the church make ready for the coming of the Lord. Now is our salvation nearer, (or the fullness of it, the consummation of it) is more complete than it was in that day of our first introduction to Christ. Certainly there was that first love—it has not grown dim, but there has been added the walk of sanctification, the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, the knowledge of healing, and all good attributes that glorifies a risen Christ. The night of sin is closing in, but the day of our hope in Jesus is growing brighter, so that we have no evil report to give, but can of a truth say, the Lord of Hosts is with us and His presence is victory. Blessed be His Name forever more.

BECAUSE THE NIGHT IS SPENT

The night is spent, this period of sunless duration is almost over, and in the same respect the time is full, the harvest is ripe, the days of the absence of the Son from this earth are about over and soon He shall come again! The night of the age gives vent to the powers and works of darkness that can only be overcome by love and awakefulness. We are soldiers on guard, faithful witnesses, voices of the night, and lamp lighters, in this time of falling away and sleepiness. We hear His cry, "Go ye," and we answer, "We will." We see the sign of righteousness and we follow, so that, although the whole world lies in wickedness, there is a portion left to verify and signify His Word, works, and approaching. We go to battle dressed in an armor of light. Night in its darkness, how dreadful. Yet the armor of light gives protection. Light denotes an ability to see, an avenue of warmth, a token of cheer, and comfort. Many may go on in darkness, letting sin be the demonating factor of life and purpose, but let us put on the armor of light to such a degree that we become the children of the day. THE CAUSE OF Jesus is not a lost cause. Hold the fort for He is coming, whose very presence destroys sin, sickness and death. When the night is spent the day must come and the breaking of the day gives us a consolation, a deep settled peace, and an assurance that all is well, safe, and secure in Jesus. Let us have confidence in the light, and walk so carefully in that light that others too may see the narrow way that leads out of the low valleys to high mountains of joy in the Lord. This trail of light leads to high sunbathed fields and rest, while those that

stay in the night of sin must ever seek the darkness and lower road that leads down to selfishness and despair, where gloomy shadows linger all the while.

THEREFORE WALK HONESTLY

Honestly, at first, we may hardly mind the word, next it is shocking to note that even a warning should be given along this line, that complete honesty must be the rule of all Christians. This is a business rule, it is a social rule, it is a church rule. For unfair business practices will spell doom for any Christian, and to be a respecter of persons will dull the ardor of a community, and church cliques will cause almost unmendable trouble. Let us be honest with every body, all causes, and even with ourselves, so that no deception, no matter how small, can rule for a clear clean conscience opens wide the channel of prayer and faith toward God and builds high and firm and influence in a community. Drunkenness cannot be tolerated, chambering or unwise living must be excluded with all wantonness. Strife and envying must be abolished so that with an eye singled to the glory of God we seek not our own, but His, and walk on holy ground with a standard made high by Christ bought and proven methods. The soul is hungry that He does not feed, the soul is asleep that he does not awake, and darkness and night is the portion of them whom He has not visited.

AND PUT ON JESUS CHRIST

Here is the complete answer for every soul. Put on, add to, and dress with the power, presence, influence and being of Jesus, for He is Lord and He is Christ, and our answer is not in our natural self, but in Him. Oh the joy of sins forgiven, oh the sweetness of His cloak, to be clothed with all the happy and free to worship Him; not bound, but free; not sold, but bought; not dead, but alive! So we go forth as the glory of the morning, and honored as the selected of the earth, chosen as a royal generation, to bring forth fruit for His glory. Reach the lost, comfort the bound, preach the word, live in the message of deliverance, and the sick will be healed and a full restoration of all blessings to all seekers will be assured and approved. The pride of life and the lust of the flesh must be brought into subjection, with no provision made for them. An easy way may appear practical, but Jesus left us an example, followed by all Apostles and reformers that the friendship of this world does not please God. So here in a few short verses the Apostle Paul set forth a way of living that meets every demand of all ages. Love is the key note, awakefulness is the guard, the night is the condition, but the coming day is the hope, with Christ Jesus put on in full faith by which position we may destroy the lusts of the flesh and give a full account to Him, our Creator and Redeemer. Know this, that the way of the Lord is best, God is not mocked, His plan cannot be improved, He knows every road, each valley and each hill, and counts and knows the stars by name, and the dust of the earth and sands of the sea are not mystery to Him. So man is well known to Him and He desires that His will be lived in us so that the ages to come may reflect His handwork and Calvary's purchase. Oh that men would praise the Lord for His wonderful works to the children of men. Let us all go forward with the banner of salvation flung high in faith, and act, and deed.

APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH



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Dear Readers,

The 1981 Fall Semester of the Apostolic Faith Bible College will soon begin. Enrollment is scheduled for August 17th at 4:00 p.m. in the Bible School Chapel. Those interested in coming or wishing to pre-enroll may write or call for further information.

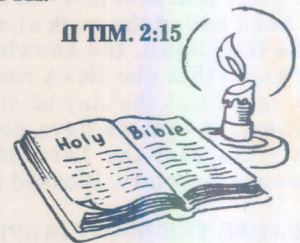
We are looking forward to an increase of the student body as well as a good year spiritually. It is with much enthusiasm that we approach this year, expecting God to bless as we do our best for Him.

May I once admonish the young men and women who have not yet been a student here, to consider coming. I cannot stress enough the worth of establishing yourself in Gods Word and fellowshiping with other Christians. Please make this a matter of prayer, I know God will guide you.

Sincerely,
Lyndel Arnall
Superintendent

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