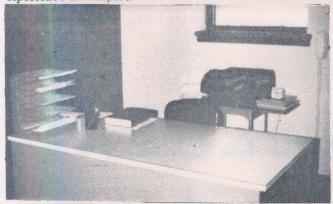
Addition to the Apostolic Faith Bible College



The building features a Kitchen area and Cafeteria on the first level with a 250 capacity seating area. The second Level includes an all purpose area, two faculty apartments and the office of the Apostolic Faith Report.

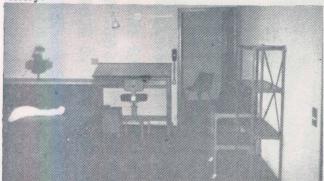
Jan-Feb 1983 Vol. 30 No. 1 & 2 Greetings to each one of you from the "New Office" of the Apostolic Faith Report!



In the business meeting of May 7, 1982 discussion was held concerning a new facility for cooking and dining, faculty apartments and the Report office. At that time the body of representatives from the churches and ministry gave approval for the Board of Trustees to proceed with the building of this new facility. Work on the new building soon began and because of God's people working together the new building was ready for occupancy by Convocation.

We truly are thankful to God for supplying this much needed building and we thank all of you who backed this work by your prayers, labors, and financial support.

Our Bible School is a wonderful place where lives can be enriched and deepened in the Word of God. May we all continue to support this work of God so that the gospel of Christ may go forth and touch others with salvation and victory.



WORK AREA AND MAILING ROOM

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. These 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.

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

Baptism of the Holy Spirit; evidenced by 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 teachings approved by the Board from time to time if they are not inconsistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

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AFBC NEWS

Moving day into the new building finally came and it was exciting. Everything is so beautiful and comfortable. On behalf of all staff and student body, let me say a special "thanks" to everyone who had a part in making all this possible. The building will be put to good use for the work of

We ask for your continual prayers daily for the school, students, faculty and every activity through out the entire term. Tha faculty and students are working hard and we invite you to come visit any time you can.

One special activity we want to draw to your attention is a Valentine Banquet. On Saturday, Feb. 12 we invite pastors and youth leaders to bring your youth to visit the Bible College and enjoy a good time of fellowship at this banquet. If possible, please notify us of your coming. Please note this banquet is not limited to youth. We want to invite anyone of any age to enjoy this special time with us. You come!! The banquet will begin at 6:00 P.M. and a special program will be planned.

One urgent need of the school is new office equipment, including a new copy machine and typewriters. We will need between \$3,000.00 and \$3,500.00 to purchase this needed equipment. This is needed for the making of daily class lessons as well as many other areas it will be used for. Please help us with this need as quickly as you can.

With the winter months let me remind you of the increased load on the utility bills. Please pray for the needs of the school and help us with the general fund that operates the daily expense of the school.

Also keep the faculty in mind and prayer. They work hard and are trusting the Lord for their needs.

We "thank you" for carrying a burden for the school and standing with us in this great work of the Lord. For all your help with the above mentioned needs we say thank you and our prayer is the Lord bless and repay you daily.

JACK CORNELL

SUPERINTENDENT



MY BIBLE AND I

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We've traveled together through life's rugged way, O'er land and o'er water, by night and by day; To travel without it I never would try: We keep close together, my Bible and I.

In sorrow I've proved it my comfort and jou: When weak, my strong tower which nought can destroy When death comes so near me 'tis thought I would die, We still are together, my Bible and I.

If powers of evil against me would come And threaten to rob me of heaven and home, God's Word then directs me to Him in the sku: And nothing can part us, my Bible and I.

When evil temptations are brought to my view, And I in my weakness know not what to do. On Christ as my strength I am taught to rely; We conquer together, my Bible and I.

So now, who shall part us, my Bible and I? Shall ism, or schism, or new lights who try? Shall shadow for substance, or stone for good bread, Supplant its sound wisdom, give folly instead?

Ah, no, my dear Bible, Revealer of light, Thou Sword of the Spirit, put error to flight! And still through life's journey until the last sigh, We'll travel together, my Bible and I.

When life's path is ended-if Jesus should come. And take all His Blood-purchased brethren home. Or if, in longsuffering, He waits till I die-We'll never be parted, my Bible and I.

With all His redeemed gathered safe in the fold, And when in the glory my Lord I behold, My Bible and I close companions will be. For God's Word abides for all eternity.

PARHAM BOOKS NOW AVAILABLE

Life of Charles F. Parhamnow \$7.00 The Voice Crying in the Wilderness \$2.00 The Everlasting Gospel\$2.00 Handling and Postage.....\$.50 ORDER NOW!! from The Apostolic Faith Report Box 653 Baxter Springs, Kans. 66713.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



DICKINSON, TEXAS

We would like to say that God is blessing us here in Dickinson. We are growing both spiritually and in attendance. Several new families are attending our Sunday morning services. Members who have not attended for sometime have been coming and attending regularly. We welcome all of them. One lady accepted the Lord as her personal Savior.

Savoy and Karen have been an encouragment to us. We appreciate their lives and talents. Savoy has been conducting a series of lessons in the books of Daniel and Revelation on Wednesday night. Our attendance on Wednesday night is good and all are enjoying these lessons.

We want to thank Jack Cornell and other members of the Choir for coming to Dickinson for one night of Concert. May God bless the Choir as they use their talents for the Lord.

We would ask that you remember the church in prayer. We extend an invitation to members of the faith to come by and visit us whenever the opportunity arises.

SAVOY GRIMMER-PASTOR YVONNE GRIGG-REPORTER

GREETING TO YOU FROM PAMPA TEXAS

Our Church was encouraged by the uplifting Sermons that Edwin Waterbury brought to us from October 18 thru October 24th. We are so happy that Kayla could be with us and Patsy & Kylon. They were such a blessing to us in the song services.

We also enjoyed having Brother T.S. Abraham with us and his inspiring talk on India and the needs thereof.

Also the Bible School Group was enjoyed and we had some special guests for that service. We appreciate the Special songs by the group. They were WONDERFUL.

Our Pastors are doing a great work and we are encouraged altho we have not seen a "landslide" yet we are still praying and hoping that soon we shall have "New Faces" and more help in our Church. So pray for us when it goes well with you.

Brother Sutton is bringing Bible Lessons on Prophecy and they are most interesting and are making us more aware of the day in which we live. And they are so Spiritual.

We welcome all who will come by and give us encouragement and if you cannot come remember to pray for PAMPA CHAPEL!!!!!

AUSTIN SUTTON-PASTOR ANABEL SIMMONS-REPORTER

MIDWAY CHURCH

October 5 Bro. Stephen Abraham had our prayer services while Bro. and Sis Taylor took a few days vacation. It was good to have Bro. Stephen back to preach to us, and explain his work in India.

On Oct. 10 Bro. and Sis. Marcus Adair had our services at Midway, as the Taylors were still gone on their vacation. We appreciated very much that Bro. and Sis. Adair consented to come and have our services for the day, it was a real blessing to us.

In November the Ragans (Neil and Billie) came to Midway for a Revival meeting for our Homecoming Week, the preaching and singing was great, the Lord Blessed in every service, hope they can come back and see us again soon. There was much spiritual victory gained by most all of the people of the Church. On Sunday of the week the Ragans were with us, we had a Homecoming dinner for all at the Fellowship Hall, and it was a bountiful dinner and enjoyed by all. Also Bro. and Sister Howard Whiteley visited our Church during that time, as well as Bro. and Sister Marcus Adair. Then Bro. and Sister Waterbury helped with the afternoon services, and also Bro. Floyd LaMunyon was with us for the afternoon services.

Dec. 12th The Cooley's from Wichita, Kansas had the night services at Midway with a musical concert, and it was enjoyed by a good crowd. Thanks Cooley's for coming our way.

Dec. 15 we enjoyed our Christmas dinner at the Fellowship hall. Then Dec. 19 we had our Christmas program.

The doors at Midway Church are always open for visitors, stop by any time and enjoy our services with us. We love you all.

BOB TAYLOR-PASTOR

PERRYTON, TEXAS

November 28, 1982 was Dedication Day for the new Full Gospel Church facilities at Perryton, Texas. It was a great day! The pastors, Harrol and Barbara Waterbury, and the Perryton Full Gospel Church family so appreciated all the dear friends who expressed love and good wishes by telephone calls, cards and letters, many beautiful plants and flowers, and for your presence with us on our special day . . . many people drove hundreds of miles to worship and thank God with us. We are grateful! God has been good . . . He has faithfully met our needs as they have arisen, He has given "strength for the day." WE PRAISE HIS NAME! We now have room to grow-to "enlarge our borders" for God's glory-our greatest longing is that we, as part of the great Family of God, may reach out more effectively to put our arms around a hurting world and lead them to the Healer of sinsick souls, broken hearts and broken spirits. Jesus is coming soon, time is running out, and our day of accounting is at hand.

We especially thank the ministers and their wives who shared in our Dedication Day. Dewey Flock, former associate in Perryton ministry, led in prayer for our Sunday morning service followed by the beautiful music ministry of the Royalheirs. Ralph Durham, former pastor, was our speaker; his ministry was challenging and inspirational. The noon meal, hosted by our church ladies, was served in the church Family Center.

The afternoon service was at 2:30 P.M. Floyd LaMunyon, former pastor, offered our opening prayer, and we were again blessed by the ministry of the Royalheirs. The dedicatory address was given by Jacob Regier, former pastor, and currently a faithful and beloved member of the Perryton church family. Pastor Harrol Waterbury then read scripture and offered the prayer of dedication of our new facilities, our present, and our future. The Royalheirs sang one song, "Gentle Shepherd," and Olen Bachler, former pastor, gave our benediction. This service was followed by a reception with punch and cookies served by our church

in the Family Center. Guests took time to visit, and to see the new church facilities.

At 5:00 P.M. the Royalheirs were in concert in the church sanctuary . . . this was again a time of praise and thanks giving! Our Dedication Day had long neen anticipated by our church family . . . there are no dearer or more giving, loving people anywhere than these precious people who have given sacrificially of time, talent, and substance to see a dream they dared to dream for God become a reality. Their pastor lovingly salute them!



The 4½ acre site has nearly two acres of asphalt parking which will accomodate approximately 200 cars in off street parking. The area is well lighted with eleven high pressure sodium fixtures. The interior of the building is fully carpeted except for the 50′x75′ family center, kitchen, and the restrooms which have vinyl floors. The sanctuary will seat 400, with overflow for another 100. The baptistry area is enhanced with a beautiful art work done in stained glass. The spacious foyer is decorated with a rock fountain waterfall. The building is heated and cooled with ten separate systems which allows maximum energy efficiency in zoning.

The building is a basic steel system with total masonry exterior and vinyl wall coverings applied to interior walls. The interior decorator selected wall textures and designs to give each room individuality. The outside front approach is carpeted and the lawns have automatically controlled sprinkler systems.

We are thankful for a new center. Our work for God begins anew every morning!

HARROL WATERBURY-PASTOR

"THANK YOU"

We would like to thank everyone in helping to make our 60th wedding anniversary such a wonderful success and such a nice occasion.

Rev. & Mrs. George Hintergardt 815 Washington Ave. Baxter Springs, Kansas 66713



CARTER

Michael and Cinda Carter of Amarillo, Texas announce the birth of their daughter Taira Lee on Nov. 14, 1982. She weighed 6 lbs. 14 oz. Maternal grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Glen Sanger, Elmwood, Okla. Paternal grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Richard Carter Stratford, Texas.

MITCHELL.

The Mitchells, Donnis, Mark and Joel rejoice in the birth of Lora Elizabeth on November 27, 1982, 6:00 a.m. Her weight was 7 lbs. 9 oz. and height was 19½ in. Grandparents are Dona and Raymond Barker and Eleanor and John Mitchell

Lora-Datin-a crown of laurel leaves; victory. Elizabeth-Hebrew-consecrated to God. Mitchell-Middle English-one who is like God.



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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Sis. Karen.

I want to say how much I appreciated the written testimony of the prison inmate, Bob. My heart rejoices when I hear and read what God has done and is doing in other peoples lives.

LISA BARBY

Dear Sis, Karen.

We appreciate your printing the letter from the young man in prison. It made us appreciate those who are not free, but desire the Word of God in contrast to those who are free, have ample opportunity to receive the Lord, and yet reject Him. A couple of our acquaintances are serving time and to our knowledge without God. It would be so good if they could find the Lord, although it is bound to bring some hardships. The help, comfort and peace God could give them would surely outweigh the burden.

We are reminded of Paul in prison, bound and guarded, yet his spirit was free to worship God in hymns and praises. May God bless your work at the Report and also this young man who was willing to share his experience in the Lord.

LOVE AND PRAYERS, TONY AND BARBARA JACOBS

PEARLS OF PROMISE

Behold the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear

Isaiah 59:1



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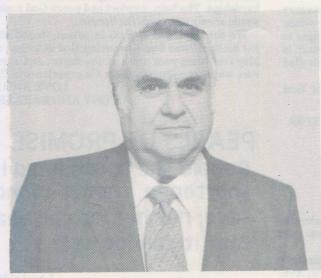
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4 Tragedies of our day

To introduce the message we would like to read the scripture: Ps. 48:1 "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in the mountain of His Holiness".

God is great, He is all Power, He loves you. He is one to be praised. If we know God as our Father it gives us a purpose in life. Isa. 12:2, 3 tells us God is our Salvation and our Strength, and that with joy shall ye draw waters out of the wells of Salvation. To have this joy imparted unto us and to keep Salvation we must not commit these four tragedies.

THE UNBENDED KNEE, the first tragedy, is the lack of prayer. Prayer is necessary in a Christian life, to have the Joy of Salvation. Many Americans have forgotten our Nation was founded on Prayer. Gone is the Altar from many churches. Gone is the old-fashioned home altar where the family knelt for devotions. The prayer of Thanksgiving is unthought of, the Prayer of Repentance is far from them. We read in the Bible that Jesus prayed all night, we find Him in the garden with his disciples praying, how much

more do WE need to pray.

THE SECOND TRAGEDY: THE UNREAD BIBLE. THE UNREAD BIBLE is the second tragedy, in a believers life. Do you read and study your Bible? Second Tim. 2:15 we are told to study to show ourselves approved of the Lord. The Bible is the road map of life. It is our map from earth to heaven. We use road maps to travel this land of ours, the signs along the road tells us of bad roads, detours, dead end roads, by passes. The Bible must be read carefully and prayer-fully and then applied. Let us take note that the way of life can be missed because of mis-reading or of NOT reading the Bible. The soap salesman complained to the minister that the Gospel was not effective. The minister replied it isn't the soaps fault he was so dirty, but that the soap had to be applied before it does any good. The minister replied, the same with the Gospel, it has to be applied and used before there are results.

THE THIRD TRAGEDY. UNPAID TITHES. Unpaid Tithes are the third tragedy of today. Every one has read enough Bible and heard enough preaching to know that one-tenth of their income belongs to God, you owe it to him, it is the Lords. It is your rent for living on His earth. When you withhold your Tithes you hinder the work and cause of Christ. You cause an extra heavy burden to fall on others. It also hinders your faith and growth in the Lord. The Bible tells us in Mal. 3:10 "Bring ye all the Tithes into the storehouse, and try me and prove me saith the Lord and see if I will not open the windows of Heaven and pour out a blessing and there shall not be room enough to receive it. Paying Tithes is important. Don't fail to give God his part.

THE FOURTH TRAGEDY... THE EMPTY PEW. The fourth tragedy is forgetting to assemble ourselves in the house of God. Heb. 10:25 we read "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as ye see the day approaching." An empty pew is a poor example of our Christian service to the Lord. Have you encouraged others to attend God's house with you? Don't send, but take

your family to church on Sundays. Are you keeping things right between you and God? Or are you letting the modern trend of Sunday pleasures fill your life and time.

All of these, THE UNBENDED KNEE, THE UNREAD BIBLE, THE UNPAID TITHES AND THE UNFILLED PEWS are weights that press down and can easily lead you down the wrong road, the road of destruction. However we can make each of these a quality instead of a tragedy, if we pray and study God's word these are qualities that God will be pleased with in our lives. It is our hope and belief that Jesus is coming SOON. May we prove this by our actions and by being ready for His call.

REV. E. K. CORNELL

DOES YOUR LIFE "COUNT FOR CHRIST"

BRING GLORY TO HIS NAME

Read and Heed

Of all the many words we are exposed to during our lives, none is more important that the Word of God.

The Scriptures list several benefits of reading and hearing the Word.

Notice these:

In Romans 10:17 we are told that we receive faith as a result of hearing the Word. Dwight L. Moody wrote:

"I prayed for faith and thought that some day faith would come down and strike me like lightning. But faith did not seem to come

"One day I read in the 10th chapter of Romans: 'Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.' I had closed my Bible and prayed for faith. I now opened my Bible and begain to study, and faith has been growing ever since."

Another thing that happens when we get into the Word is that we begin to experience cleansing in our lives. Jesus said: "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you" (John 15:13).

In the Epistle to the Ephesians, the Word is compared to water: "The washing of water by the Word" (5:26). As water is to the body, so is the Word of God to the soul. It cleanses.

That doesn't mean that you can be cleansed from sin simply by reading the Bible; but it does mean that when the Word of God is applied to your life, it will change the way you live.

In Acts 20:32 we are told that the Word of God will build us up. The new Christian who studies his Bible and loves this Book more than every other book is sure to hold out. The Bible is a source of nourishment to the spiritual life of the Christian. It is described both as milk (1 Peter 2:2) and meat (Hebrews 5:14). It gives strength and growth.

Suppose you went without food for a few days; you know what the result would be. It's the same for spiritual food.

In Revelation 1:3 we are told that we will be blessed-made happy-as we hear the Word of God. Bible reading can become a positive joy in our lives, It produces spiritual well-being. A person steeped in the truths of God's Word will be a healthy Christian. Immediate obedience to God's Word brings joy into life.

Billy Sunday's Tribute To The

Twenty-nine years ago, with the Holy Spirit as my guide, I entered the wonderful temple of Christianity. I entered at the portico of Genesis, walked down through the Old Testament art galleries where the pictures of Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, and Daniel are hung on the wall.

I passed into the music room of Psalms where the Spirit swept the keyboard of nature until it seemed that every reed and pipe of God's great organ responded to the tuneful harp of David, the sweet singer of Israel.

I entered the chamber of Ecclesiastes where the voice of the preacher was heard, and into the conservatory of Sharon where the Lily of the Valley's sweet-scented spices filled and

perfumed my life.

I entered into the business office of Proverbs, and then into the observatory room of the prophets where I saw telescopes of various sizes pointed to far-off events, but all concentrated upon the Bright and Morning Star which is the King of kings.

I caught a vision of His glory from the standpoint of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, and passed into the Acts of the Apostles where the Holy Spirit was doing His work in the formation of the infant Church. Then into the correspondence room where sat Paul, Peter, James and John penning their epistles.

I stepped into the throne room of Revelation, where towered the glittering peaks, and caught a vision of the King sitting upon the throne in all His glory. And I cried: "All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall! Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all!"



Mary Jones and Her Bible

BY NOREEN MAGEE

AS A GIRL I was intigued by the story of Mary Jones and her Bible. This dear young Welsh girl with a great longing for God's Word had a special place in my heart.

I never dreamed that one day I would stand within the shell of her little mountain cottage in Llanfihangel.

My heart leaped with joy as I stood on the narrow stone bridge which she so often crossed. It is now overgrown with ivy, fern, and wild flowers.

At the rear of the cottage I climbed on the large, smooth boulders in the midst of the river to reflect on her childhood haunts.

In the center of the cottage is a large marble monument engraved to her memory. A plaque on the remaining ruins tells of the founding of the British and Foreign Bible Society in 1804-brought about by this little Welsh girl's hunger to possess a Bible of her own.

Tall, aged beech trees stand like silent sentries shading

the hallowed spot. The surrounding mountains hold their memories.

In the distance can be seen the farmhouse where Mary went each week, at the invitation of Mrs. Evans, the farmer's wife, to lift the glass case carefully and to fondle the precious Bible, then to read from its pages concerning the Sunday school lesson.

The Bible was a rare possession 175 years ago. There

were no Bibles in Llanfihangel or Abergynolwyn.

Following her visits to the kind farmer's wife, Mary would return to her simple home and recite to her parents the wonderful things she had memorized from the Word of God.

But her ambition was to have a Bible of her own, and for this she saved her pennies. After years of mending, feeding hens, running errands, and careful savings, she had enough money. This little girl crossed the mountains barefoot to Bala, 25 miles away, to purchase a Bible from a minister named Thomas Charles.

It happened that Mr. Charles' supply of Scriptures in the Welsh language was almost exhausted, and at first he told the young girl all the remaining copies had been promised to his customers. But seeing how passionately Mary wanted a Bible, he decided he could not disappoint her, so he sold her one.

In those days Bibles were not plentiful anywhere, especially in the Welsh language. Only people of means could afford to buy a copy. But Mr. Charles was so moved by this young girl's hunger and by the fact she walked so far to obtain a copy, that he determined to do all in his power to start a Bible society which would make the Scripture available in various languages at modest cost to all who wanted a copy.

Mary hurried back across the mountains clutching her precious Bible, and filled her mind and heart with the truths

from its precious pages.

I entered the little stone church where Mary, in a simple dress, with bare feet, a daisy chain about her hair, would drink in the Bible stories as the visiting minister from Towyn would speak.

As I meditated, I was impressed and deeply convictedalmost ashamed. How much does God's Word mean to me? Do I treasure its counsel and comfort, its instructions and guidance as precious things, as Mary Jones did? "Man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the Lord" (Deuteronomy 8:3).

Paul urged the youthful Timothy: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Timothy

2:15).

The Word stimulates growth, cleanses the life, and activates the whole being to think and act and speak as a Christian should. What a contrast to the books and magazines of the world on which men and women feed, which leave the life impoverished and bankrupt, and easy target for Satan and sin.

How grateful we are to Mary Jones, who stirred the heart of Thomas Charles to inaugurate a Bible society to distribute thousands of Bibles!

Wherever the story of Mary Jones and her Bible has been told, people have been moved to donate funds and support the Bible societies and other agencies which have brought the Scriptures within reach of millions.

How much does the Bible mean to you today?

-ELIM EVANGEL, CHELTENHAM, ENGLAND

Why A Scientist Believes in God

Our universe was designed and executed by a great engineering intelligence.

Suppose you put ten pennies, marked from one to ten into your pocket and give them a good shuffle. Now try to take out in sequence from one to ten, putting back the coin each time and shaking them all over again. Mathematically we know that your chance of drawing number one is one in ten, of drawing one and two in succession, one in 100; of drawing one, two and three in succession, one in 1000, and so on; your chance of drawing them all, from number one to number ten in succession, would reach the unbelivable figure of one in ten billion.

By the same reasoning, so many exacting conditions are necessary for life on earth that they could not possibly exist in proper relationship by chance. The earth rotates on its axis, 1,000 miles an hour at the equator; if it turned at 100 miles an hour, our days and nights would be ten times as long as now, and the hot sun would likely burn up or vegetation each long day while in the long night any surviving sprout might well freeze.

Again, the sun, source of our life, has a surface temperature of 10,000 degrees Fahrenheit, and our earth is just far enough away so that this "eternal fire" warms us just enough and not too much! If the sun gave off only one half its present radiation, we would freeze, and if it gave off half as much more, we would roast.

The slant of the earth, tilted at an angle of 23 degrees, gives us our seasons! If the earth had not been so tilted, vapors from the ocean would move north and south, piling up for us continents of ice. If our moon were, say only 50,000 miles away instead of its actual distance, our tides would be so enormous that twice a day all continents would be submerged; even the mountains could soon erode away. If the crust of the earth had been only ten feet thicker, there would be no oxygen, without which animal life must die. Had the ocean been a few feet deeper, carbon dioxide and oxygen would have been absorbed and no vegetable life could exist.

It is apparent from these and a host of other examples that there is not one chance in billions that life on our planet is an accident.

THE MOUNT ZION REPORTER

The Bible

There are some who doubt the Bible,
And some who believe it in part;
Some trust it with reservation,
And some with all their heart.
But I know that its every promise
Is firm and true always;
It is tried as the precious silver,
And it means just what it says.

It is strange how we trust each other
And only doubt our Lord;
We will take the word of mortals,
And yet distrust God's Word.
But oh! what light and glory
Would shine o'er all our days
If we always would remember
That He means just what He says.

OBITUARY OF REUBEN DANIEL BUSCH

Reuben Daniel Busch was born June 12, 1907 in Richmond, Texas to the late Otto Paul and Bertha Maeding Busch. He went to be with the Lord on August 14, 1982.

Bro. Busch was converted in the early South Texas revivals of the Apostolic Faith Movement. He was married to Pearl Elizabeth Rumbach on November 16, 1931 in Stillwater, Okla. Bro. Busch was a builder-contractor for most of his life and was involved in the construction of numerous churches, many times donating his labor where need was greatest. He and his wife also served as lay ministers at various times. Many will remember Bro. Busch serving as Camp Meeting cook at South Texas camp meetings in the 40's.

Mr. Busch was preceded in death by his wife on June 22, 1977. Survivors included two daughters, Mrs. Donald Bachler of Georgetown, Texas and Mrs. Floyd Pletcher of Battle Mountain, Nevada; two brothers, Rev. Otto Busch of Baxter Springs, Kans. and Roland Busch of Katy; four sisters, Hertha Busch of Lake Jackson, Norma Busch of Austin, Lydia Pyles of Angleton, and Esther Grunwald of Wallis, Texas; eight grandchildren, Patti, Daniel, Polly and Andy Bachler of Georgetown, Texas; Gale Olson, Moscow, ID; Lyn Gobin, Dumas, TX; Janis Sluder and Jayne Pletcher of Amarillo, TX.

Pallbearers were Daniel Bachler, Andy Bachler, Joel Gunn, Earl Schneebeli, Curtis Foster, and Frank Laurence. Services were conducted by Rev. Douglas Springer, and Rev. Millard Brown.



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(Forever)

It may sound away out to say forever and eternal do not always mean the same, or without end. The word eternity is only found once in Isa. 57.15, and refers to the eternal existence of God. The word eternal is mentioned almost fifty times and of course means without end.

Eternity is not an age that will begin when this world and its existance of life here is over, but it is now going on, it has been in all ages, past, is at the present time and will be in all ages to come. Eph 2.7. Time is only a short parenthesis in the ages of eternity. Time will end. Rev. 10.6. But eternity continues on.

Eternal existance is only in God, and can only come to humanity through the Lord Jesus Christ. Many scriptures point to this fact and to say that we have eternal soul and to say that the soul will live on without that eternal life that came through the Lord Jesus Christ: Completely disowns and disclaims His divine mission to earth. If we have an eternal existance withouth Jesus or having the new birth, through the Spirit; then the Son of God came in vain.

I know people hang up on the word, "forever," But that word forever has a specific meaning of: For the duration of that specific period, time or eternity. It can mean eternity, but it can also be limited by time. Sometimes very short, at other times longer.

Let us look at some examples in the bible where forever ended: I Chron, 15.2-The Levites were to minister forever. Yet their ministry has ended.

Exod. 21.6-A servant could become a servant forever. Yet Job. said; 3.19-That death set the servant free from his master, so that he is no longer a slave.

Jonah 2.6-Earth's bars were about him forever. Three days and nights.

Lev. 25. 46-Strangers bought by Israel were to be servants forever but at the year of Jubilee every servant was set free. V 10.

I Chron. 17.12-Solomons throne was established. Forever He is dead and there is no king in Israel.

I Chron. 23. 13-Aarons sons were to burn incense forever Their ministry has ended.

I Kings 9.3-God's Name was to be in the temple at Jerusalem forever. The temple has been destroyed.

Well this is enough on that, but these scriptures show that forever can mean for a certain time or period.

It is certain that when the lost are cast into the lake of fire, there will be no recourse. It will be final and eternal. They will not burn eternally. To do so would mean they had to be sustained by God, and given an eternal existance by Him and there can be no eternal life except by Jesus Christ. I John 5.9-12.

Jude 7-Sodom and Gomorrah are an example of eternal fire, (this is the only place in the Bible that eternal fire is mentioned.) The exact location of these cities has never been found. So they are not still burning.

Jesus is the only way to eternal Life. John 14.6.

The soul that sinneth shall die. Ezek. 18.4.

The wages of sin is death. Rom. 6.23.

The wicked shall be ashes under your feet. Mal. 3.4

If the rich man and Lazareth are a picture of heaven and hell, Lazareth had to be helped to the rich mans door, a begger, full of sores, the dogs licking those sores and His eating crumbs.

Is this a picture of the church: Dressed in fine linen, without spot or wrinkle, a glorious church. Solomon said; She is fair as the moon, clear as the sun and terrible as an army with banners. S.S. 6.10.

No I believe it is a parable of Israel and the gentiles. The bible doesn't say that Lazareth was saved or that the rich man was a sinner. Israel shared the great riches of God and fared sumptiously. While the gentile begger was laid at his gate to eat the crumbs. Read Mk. 7.28.

Through Jesus, the gentile begger nations have been carried to the promise of Abraham, the very bosom of faith and Divine love through the Gospel while Israel for nineteen centuries has been tormented in the flames of their own rejection of our Lord Jesus Christ as their Messiah.

If the wicked go immediately to the Lake of fire and the righteous into their reward, then there is no need of a final judgement day, but God has appointed a day when he will judge the world. Rev. 20.11-15. All whose names are not in the book of life will be cast into the lake of fire, which is the second death.

Well to sum it all up; Within man he is not in himself eternal without Christ, he is not immortal and does not have an eternal existance without being born again.

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