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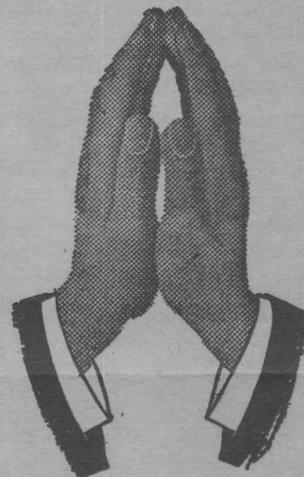
Number 1

*Thanksgiving*  
*Alphabet*

Count your blessings and be thankful for—

- Acceptance, which can never be questioned (Eph. 1:6).
- Bounty, which can never be withdrawn (I Cor. 3:21-24).
- Comeliness, which can never be marred (Ezek. 16:14).
- Deliverance, which can never be excelled (II Cor. 1:10).
- Election, which can never be broken (Eph. 1:4; Rom. 8:30).
- Fullness, which can never be exhausted (Col. 2:9, 10, R. V.).
- Grace, which can never be limited (II Cor. 12:9).
- Hope, which can never be disappointed (Heb. 6:18, 19).
- Inheritance, which can never be alienated (I Peter 1:3-5).
- Joy, which can never be quenched (John 15:11).
- Kingdom, which can never be overturned (Heb. 12:28).
- Love, which can never be darkened (John 13:1).
- Might, which can never be overcome (Eph. 1:19; II Cor. 10:4).
- Nearness, which can never be reversed (Eph. 2:13).
- Ordination, which can never be removed (John 15:16; Eph. 2:10).
- Purity, which can never be denied (S. of Sol. 4:7).
- Quietness, which can never be disturbed (John 14:27; Is. 32:17).
- Righteousness, which can never be tarnished (II Cor. 5:21).
- Salvation, which can never be canceled (Heb. 5:9).
- Triumph, which can never be clouded (II Cor. 2:14).
- Union, which can never be severed (I Cor. 12:12).
- Victory, which can never be altered (Heb. 2:14; I John 3:8).
- Wisdom, which can never be baffled (I Cor. 1:24).
- Xcellence, which can never be destroyed (Deut. 33:29).
- Youthfulness, which can never be interrupted (Ps. 103:5).
- Zeal, which can never be hindered (John 2:17; Is. 9:7).

— S. S. Times



## SERMON OF THE MONTH

# In the Beginning

by Donald D. Dibbens



"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not." These are the opening words of the Gospel according to St. John. I am impressed with the first three words, "In the beginning". These three words take us to the earliest stages of history. I have read several accounts of history. In all of these accounts there are phrases that suppose. Because of such and such a happening it is supposed that such and such was the happening during another period of time. No doubt these historians are correct in their suppositions; but the positive manner with which John deals with time prior to historical records amazes and thrills me. How could John be so positive? John was personally acquainted with one that was there in the beginning. There is only one more positive way; that was to have been there himself. John walked and talked with one that was there in the beginning and wrote these positive words concerning the beginning. Jesus Christ was there in the earliest stages of the beginning. "Word" designates a personality, "and the Word was with God," in the beginning. This makes Jesus Christ and God both present in the beginning of all things. This is one positive reason why I cannot accept the theory of evolution. Those who wish to agree with the theory of evolution are basing their belief upon supposition. In due respect to learned men and women that adhere to supposition I believe that it is best to have a positive belief. This is the reason that I like the positive manner in which John states that the Word and God were in the beginning. Verse 14 states,

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." The word was Jesus of Nazareth; the son of the Holy Ghost and Mary; the son of Joseph and Mary on earthly records. Jesus was divine; the son of the Holy Ghost. Jesus was human; the son of Mary. The arriving, in this world, at Bethlehem, of the baby Jesus, was not the beginning of Jesus. In the beginning was Jehovah God, Jesus, and the Holy Ghost. Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. I am happy to present Jehovah God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Ghost. This trinity of the Godhead brought into existence all things. All things were made by Jesus and this same Jesus is the light of men. It is on this positive beginning I base my belief in a positive Christianity. With these same reasons I denounce evolution as a false theory, that was brought forth by the Devil to discredit God, Jesus, and the Holy Ghost. We are a product of direct creation, not a product of evolution. Environment, education, and invention have been factors in lifting us to the high culture that we now enjoy. In this sense we have come through an evolving cycle, but God made man in his image. Man did not begin in a tiny cell and evolve to the status he now holds. I am happy for the progress man has made, but man needs to learn much about living together in harmony. We have come only a short distance when it comes to war. We know how to kill better now, but the fight is still just like it was with the primitive man. God (the Father), Jesus (his son), and the Holy Ghost started all things, and when all things are wound up, God, Jesus and the Holy Ghost will still be in the driver's seat. When mankind has finished their futile efforts, to raise themselves, and comes the

judgment the Trinity of the Godhead will still be in authority.

Genesis 1:1, "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." I believe this is the beginning of the existence of our present heaven and earth. The bodies of matter, that fill our present heaven and earth, did not just happen to fall into place. God placed the Sun, Moon, and Stars in their proper positions and gave them an orbit to follow. With the exception of those bodies that have fallen this creation continues to this present day. Seasons come and go. Day and night follow in perfect order, and the planets and stars follow their set course. This creation is so perfect that it can be counted to the minute, years in advance, when an eclipse will take place and which bodies it will concern. The great omniscient Jehovah God gave us these things to enjoy. I have glanced into the clear sky at night and marvelled at the grandeur of the great creation of God. Stars without number as far as I was concerned, yet God placed them there. I cannot understand how any human can look into the night sky and fail to be persuaded that there is a Jehovah God. I am amazed that any human can view a sunset or sunrise and not be touched down deep inside that it is best to serve and worship the Lord God. The growth of plants and vegetation upon this earth and the wonders of nature should be sufficient to persuade everyone that there is a supreme being. This supreme being desires the love and services of we humans, and he has every right to expect our best love and service.

The beginning of man happened in the sixth day of the creation. Genesis 1:26-31. I quote in part, "and God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and

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# WEST TEXAS APOSTOLIC FAITH CONVOCATION

College Auditorium  
BIG SPRING, TEXAS

## December 26, 1954 to January 1, 1955

**DAILY SERVICES:**

- 9:00 a. m. Prayer Meeting
- 10:00 a. m. Bible Lesson
- 1:30 p. m. Children Service
- 2:30 p. m. Worship Service
- 6:30 p. m. Youth Rally
- 7:30 p. m. Evangelistic Service

(Services conducted in College Auditorium)

**MEALS:**

- 7:30 a. m. Breakfast
- 12:30 p. m. Lunch
- 5:00 p. m. Supper

Meals served at community table as the Lord provides in Convocation Cafeteria.

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### FROM MY VIEW POINT

(Editorial)

How do you do, how are you? God bless you all. It is with joy that we come to you today and we hope to pay you a regular visit, as time permits and the Lord leads and directs. He is an All Wise God and I know His wisdom now may be depended upon for the tasks that each of us must perform.

FROM MY VIEW POINT will often express the feelings and information on almost any subject that I feel to choose, but this time I want to write about your paper — THE APOSTOLIC FAITH REPORT. You are welcome — the editors need you, and you need us, for no man lives or dies to himself. Each of us must work for the Lord with all our might. The demand for trained religious workers in every field is urgent. Let us help one another. Use any or all of the contents of this paper to further the cause of Christ. Send in your name and the names of your friends, relatives, and others that you know would like to get this paper.

It will be necessary to make radical changes in this paper. Some of the changes will come as you desire and express yourself. This is not a personal paper. It is a MOVEMENT paper, it is under a very capable board, and they will do their best to send to your doors the mighty

truths of this Wonderful Apostolic Faith from time to time. Alterations may be made in size, in articles, and some new departments may be added, some discarded, and even the general appearance of the paper may have to change, but each step must be for the good and progress of this work. Amendments will be made when necessary.

Your comments are solicited — they might even be printed, so write as you wish. Criticism is invited and will be permitted for by such methods improvement will be made. Sound advice from friends of this effort will be appreciated. Come on, let us work together for a publication of which we can be justly proud.

We must have a goal. From these pages information and instruction, must be given, helps and rules for real victory under the leadership of the Holy Spirit. Onward must be our word of the day, forward with each issue, so that all who read from its pages will be better informed and greatly encouraged. Upward, we must rise with gladness in our hearts for the opportunity God has given us. All of us meet with some opposition but let us not complain, but give glory to God because we are His servants and He is our Master.

Do you have an announcement of general interest? Send it to us for printing. How about that testimony? Prayer requests will be remembered and your wishes will not be ignored. Send in lots of good material, some that you may have collected for we cannot subscribe to all good magazines. Mostly we want your thoughts. Thoughts are expressed by words, so you use your words in writing that we may travel far and wide.

Pray for the editors. In all of our work, each one must have a burning love for the Lord and His cause. His work is important. Your progress in Him, therefore, is important. Let us help you. May God bless you with all rich blessings and lift you above the world of care to reflect the Glory of our living Christ.

### KINGSMILL, TEXAS—

The dedication of the new Kingsmill church was well attended with several outside ministers and laymen as well, for the afternoon service. Sister Doris Bingham had

complete charge of the dedication service as a unanimous vote from the church decided that she would. She had Sister Pearl Yeakley to speak first (she was the first pastor) then Sister Doris Bingham spoke (she was the second pastor). Brother Robert Girouard closed the services as the following and present pastor.

Brother and Sister Girouard are laboring with the people successfully. We have had a very outstanding revival with our own Amos Harris, Jr. The preaching was wonderful and extra good crowds were present each night.

There has been much sickness in the church the past six weeks, but nearly all are well again.

The first Sunday is our Missionary Sunday and the Sunday School offerings are used entirely for the missionaries that day.

The fourth Wednesday night is our Missionary lesson and Sister Birtie McIlvain brought a wonderful lesson on "How to use our lives, talents and all we have, for the good of Mission Fields."

Amarillo, Dumas, Sunray and Kingsmill are planning Young People's Rally for the third Sunday in each month.

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### Midway Country Church

Presently we are engaged in a revival meeting at Midway church, with Brother Bob Cooper as the Evangelist. Misses Martha Summerford, Peggy Bishop and Bobby Bishop are rendering inspirational Gospel singing each night of service. The Lord is blessing, quite a number of moves have been made for God, and we are looking forward to a wonderful time in the Lord, where the lost will be found and Christians will be refreshed in His presence.

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### PALM CITY, CALIF.—

News from Palm City, Calif., gives us the following information. The Sunday School hour is 9:45 a. m. Followed with the 11:00 a. m. morning worship. The Sunday evening Evangelistic service begins at 6:30 p. m. Bible Study is conducted at 7:30 p. m. Come meet with this lively group that seek to worship God as the Bible states. Visiting ministers of the Apostolic Faith are always welcome. Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey L. Murray are the pastors.

# Bible School Tour

by R. D. Wooster

Praise the Lord from whom all blessings flow. He has indeed been most gracious to us. Most of you are aware of the fact that we felt it was in the will of the Lord and necessary to make a tour of the churches in the interest of the coming term of the Bible School. (See center of this paper for full report of the school.)

Bro. Jerry McClenagan and myself left my home at Alvin, Texas on October 1st. Our first stop was at Snell, Miss. From there we met with the following congregations: Hinton, Ala., Des Arc, Ark., Doniphan, Mo., and Taneyville, Mo. (Oct. 7th), the date of this report.

Our next stop will be in Eureka Springs, Ark., and in the next few days we want to see the people in the following places: Elkins, Ark., Cave Springs, Ark., Union Chapel, Mo., Galena, Kans., Tipton Ford, Mo., Joplin, Mo., Granby, Mo., Purcell Mo., Adrain, Mo., Hale, Mo., and Leroy, Kans.

In the latter part of October we plan to be in Bayard, Nebr., Wichita, Kans., Kingman, Kans., Enid, Okla., Sulpher, Okla., Oklahoma City, Arnett, Midway, Okla., and Follett, Tex.

By the first of November we plan to arrive at Balko, Okla., LaVerne, Okla., Meads, Kans., Speaman and Perryton, Tex., Hardesty, Okla., Guymon, Okla., that is Sunday A. M. and P. M. of November 7th and 8th at Sunray, Tex., November 9th at Dumas, Tex., November 10th at Amarillo, Tex., November 11th at Kings Mill, Tex., November 12th at Ima, New Mex., Sunday A. M., November 14th, Roswell, New Mex., and at night at Lovington, New Mex.

In the latter part of November we want to visit the following Texas churches: Nov. 15th, Ralls, Tex., Nov. 16th at Snyder, Nov. 17th at Big Spring, Nov. 18th at Menard, Nov. 19 at Camp Wood, Nov. 21st, A. M. at Uvalde and P. M. at Leahey. Nov. 22nd at Vanderpool, Nov. 23rd at Center Point, Nov. 24th at Goldth-

waite, Nov. 25th at Rockdale, Nov. 26th at Gause, Nov. 28th, A. M. at Somerville and P. M. at Bellville.

In December we will reach the following: Dec. 1st at Alvin, Dec. 2nd at Katy, Dec. 3rd at Hempstead, Dec. 5th, A. M. at San Leon, P. M. at Alief, Dec. 7th at Waller, Dec. 8th at Recreation Acres, Dec. 9th at Houston, Dec. 10th at Decker's Prairie, Dec. 12th, A. M. at South Houston and in the P. M. at Ganado.

Meet us at the nearest point mentioned here. Pray for each service that we may come to you in the power of the Lord and Minister to you of His good things.

May God bless you,

R. D. WOOSTER, Supt. of  
Apostolic Faith Bible School  
Baxter Springs, Kansas

**THOUGHTS** — everybody has them, good ones, maybe bad ones. They are so wonderful, they can be so powerful and reach afar when they are ordered of the Lord and anointed of Him. "I think" is an expression that we are all used to, but what do we think is the all-important thing. Next in succession is the expression of that thought. Will it die with no harm or good? If the thought of the mind is of the enemy of the soul and man in general, then it is good that it perish. Yet many victories are lost because that thought was not sent forth from the lips of clay or by the written word. My thoughts are not deep. My learning and knowledge is limited but I owe it to you to proclaim the message of deliverance that the Lord has revealed to me. I feel keenly my inadequate education but it is still my privilege to express my love for the Christ because all that I am or ever will be is because of Him.



## What Do You Think?

by Carl E. Allen

"Man by his mis-deeds kindles his own hellfire."

Practically all of us live a life of daily routine. One week passes and normally there was not much difference in it than the week before, nor will it be too different from the ones to come. We work, sleep, eat and have our entertainment at regular intervals of the day and weeks.

We all want to make of ourselves a success in our work. It not only is essential that we do, but gives us a good sense of accomplishment. We must have our normal share of sleep and a sufficient amount of food in order to enable us to do our best in our work. Our entertainment and relaxation period is quite necessary and contributes greatly to our state of mind. This is the way we spend the major portion of our lives.

And yet for all the time and effort we put in to gain the comforts of life are we accomplishing all we should? Are we paying too much attention to the material gains of life and therefore overlooking the spiritual gains for which we should strive?

A normal lifetime seems to cover quite a long period of time. However, when compared to the eternity promised by the Father, life's span here on earth seems as no time at all.

Even so, it is this life on earth that will decide whether or not we enter into eternal life with Him. This being so, would it not be wise to take inventory of our daily routine? Do we give God the credit for our success? Do we ask for His guidance? What part does He have in our relaxation and entertainment period of the week?

Our Lord is a loving God and He is willing to help. However, He also is a just God and our deeds here on earth will decide our fate at judgment.

Is there more room for him in our lives? What do you think?

# PLEASE PRAY FOR Faculty for 1955 Term

Students must take at least three subjects, two being Bible subjects. Must be of good character, have a willingness to work hard, and submit to discipline.



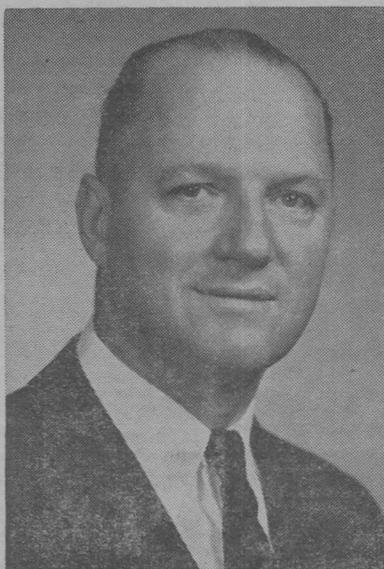
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- Evangelism
- Doctrine
- English
- Music
- Piano
- Child Evangelism
- Youth Evangelism
- Sunday School
- Training



Music  
MARTHA SUMMERFORD



Piano  
CHLOE COOK

# Bible School Report

by Ben Barker

The annual meeting of the ministers and Church delegates of the Apostolic Faith Movement met at the Laverne, Camp-Meeting.

Among other discussions at the meeting was the need and possibilities of another building for the Apostolic Faith Bible School at Baxter Springs, Kansas.

From this discussion a decision was reached by the Board of Directors to begin a building September 13th.

May the Lord bless every one that has helped with their prayers, labor and finance. We feel this building is another step forward in faith for the benefit of our youth.

God has sent the best of laborers, carpenters, plumbers, electricians and other workmen, Ne. 4:6 "So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work."

The building is located just south of the Chapel building and thus far has gone up in No. 1 shape.

The structure is 28' x 96'. The front 30 ft. to be used for a two-bedroom dwelling for the Superintendent of the Bible School.

The remainder of the building will be divided into a service and laundry room and four separate apartments to be used for teachers in the school. This building is completed on the out-side with most of the plumbing and wiring finished on the inside.

There is \$2,200.00 indebtedness on the building at this writing. The Board hopes this debt will be taken care of and work can resume on the interior and grounds by Nov. 1st.

Those desiring to help on the completion of the building contact Rev. Doyle Wiles, Box 110, Baxter Springs, Kansas and he will let you know as to the date, and it will be

a great help to us to know about when you can come.

Those desiring to help on the financial obligation of the building please send your offering to,

Board of Directors  
Box 110  
Baxter Springs, Kansas  
Ben Barker, Chairman

**THE DIVINE HAND OF GOD** is everywhere and to fully acknowledge Him and His work is very necessary. There is God the Father, Creator and head of all. There is the Son, sent of the Father to save the lost. There is the Holy Ghost to enlighten our lives, to baptize us and to seal us to the coming of the Lord. Foolish men are they that do not know of God, nor seek Him, for it is He that will give us every good and perfect gift. Many will relate that nature is wonderful, but they do not mention God nor glorify His name. Sometimes children are told of Jesus as myth or a brownie — they forget to mention that He is the One and only living Saviour. They hardly know about the Holy Spirit. Yet, it is our duty to love and acknowledge all three and acclaim their presence everywhere at all times.

Pastor, do you need to be gone from your church for a few weeks? if so, contact Brother and Sister Joe Dewees, Hempstead, Tex., Box 287. He feels led of the Lord to do this type of "supply work."



## BROTHER ABRAHAM PLANS RETURN TO INDIA

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Brother T. S. Abraham, the student-missionary from India, is planning to return to India by January 20, 1955. Bro. Abraham came to the States in October 1952, sponsored by the Midway Country Church, Logan, Oklahoma, and since then made his home with Brother and Sister Marcus Adair and family. During his two years stay in the States he has become well known among the churches and groups of the Movement by becoming acquainted with many of us at the two terms of Bible School, camp meetings, youth camps and convocations he attended. His Christian life and sincerity of heart in working for the Lord have been a blessing and inspiration to all who have come in contact with him. We do believe that he has made several friends here and that the friendship will continue in years to come. After returning to his native country he is planning on missionary and social work which is very essential in India.

Before returning home in January of next year, Bro. Abraham is making plans for a visit of many of the churches in the Movement, during the months of November and December, 1954. Any church desiring to have a missionary service with Brother Abraham may contact him at Box 4, Follett, Texas.

The work is progressing nicely at Sun Ray, Texas. A building has been brought in from another point and rebuilt. Brother and Sister Allen Long are building and assisting with the church program at present. The regular services are on Thursday and Sunday. The ministers of the Faith are invited to come by. Sister Pearl Yeakeley is the pastor.

Make this year a greater church year.

# One Step

Chas. Bedinger

**ONE STEP**, My friends, can determine, and will determine your destiny. Just so sure as there is a Heaven — you will discover the opposite, and that opposite is hell. Just as sure as there is a record, there will be penalties or punishment.

There are two definite roads from which to choose — the one that leads to Golgotha's hill where you can witness the slaughtering spot, where the Champion of all that is right and just, was spit on, whipped, dragged, stabbed, disgraced and nailed to a cross. When He asked for water He was given vinegar and gall, and there you will find the memorable spot where Christ settled once and for all, the one and only door to the Portals — and the destination of those who choose this road is happiness, contentment, friendship, life, love, charity and everlasting life.

These are the road signs along this straight and narrow path for those who choose to take the first step on the Jericho Road. Since we have the right choice, and we have made the decision, and have been born into the church by spiritual birth, we now become brothers and sisters in Christ. We have met the simple requirement of conversion. "For as the body is one, and hath many members, and are all members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body." I Cor. 12:12-13.

After we have traveled this road, we leave evidence of our Christian faith. Monuments will rise along unchartered paths to definitely mark the road we have traveled; churches, schools, universities, hospitals, and broken homes will be lighted again by the brightness of your labors; no more will you see juvenile delinquency on the rampage with its tentacles engulfing our coming generation. If you choose this road you will be unshackled from the chains of destructive forces and placed in society working and laboring to make this a decent place in which to live; honoring the Creator for all that is worth while — life, law, light,

labor, loyalty and liberty. **IT ONLY TAKES ONE STEP.** Now then, if you do not take this definite step, you have lost your most prized possession — the right choice. This is narrowed down to the other road, and you unfortunately have lost your alternative. The Devil then reaches out his slimy hands, and uses his brute strength to force his mandate on you; drafting you into his army, and you automatically become his henchman. You are brothers and sisters of criminals, murderers, thieves, gangsters, whores, whore-mongers, adulterers, deceivers, liars, drunkards, and imps from the very depths of hell. You do not travel this road by your own power altogether, but are led, pushed, shoved, kicked, whipped, stabbed, shot at (sometimes killed); and your minds will be drugged by beer, whiskey, opium, marijuana, and all other alcoholics and opiates, at his commands — which are many.

What are the citadels along your road; how many churches have you torn down; how many homes have you broken; how many boys and girls have you rescued; how many have you starved; how many human wrecks can you account for; how many have you made homeless and without an equal opportunity in life?

My friend, where are your tablets concealed upon which your triumphs are recorded; what language do you speak; and what are your songs sounding forth in harmony — your praises and your joys — for greater accomplishment?

This gang has always been at war with the great Creator — because God, and only God, can create and put life in that which He has created, making it to live, walk, talk and praise Him for this freedom, liberty and achievement.

But where does this big monster originate from, from which you take your orders and commands?

The gang, whose banner you carry, was thrown headlong out of heaven at one time. Since then they have licked their wounds and organized the anti-christians in a movement to destroy the liberties of mankind the world over.

You are common material for communists, whose chief motive is to first destroy the belief of immor-

tality and to dislodge God Almighty from His throne — supplanting Him with Marxism.

It is time to be Steppin', Steppin', Steppin'.

One step in the right direction will save you from the very pangs of hell, and the world will be glad that you have made your advent into decent society. **TAKE THAT STEP — THE FIRST STEP!**

## NEWS AND NOTES

### DARROUZETT, TEXAS—

Brother Marcus Adair and the gospel party recently held a revival at Darrouzett, Texas. It was a time of great success and seven souls were saved. There was much local help in the special singing and music for the revival. Those saved at the revival are now attending the Follett Chapel. The tent revival at Darrouzett was one of the series of tent revivals that Brother Adair and the people of the Chapel are intending to hold in the near future in several of the surrounding communities of Follett.

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### PERRYTON, TEXAS—

Rev. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon took up the pastorate of the Full Gospel Church in Perryton, Texas the last week of August. The church is making satisfactory progress, and the Sunday School attendance has run as high as 98 during the month of September. There was a young lady saved in the regular services recently. At the present time the church is in a revival being conducted by Rev. Bob Cooper of Granby, Mo., assisted by Mrs. Cooper and a girl's trio, Miss Peggy Bishop, Miss Martha Summerford, and Miss Bobby Bishop of Ralls, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon,  
Pastors

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### FOLLETT, TEXAS—

Rev. and Mrs. Kay Kerr are now in a tent revival at Follett, Texas, which started on September 26. Even from the beginning the Lord has been dealing with the souls and several have been saved and sanctified. Assisting in the revival is Miss Chloe Cook of Granby, Mo., and Brother T. S. Abraham. The Lord is blessing the meetings in a wonderful way. Rev. Marcus Adair is the pastor.

## IN THE BEGINNING

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let them have dominion — So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. — And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. — And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day." This man is not to be confused with Adam. Gen. 1:28. Now let us consider the beginning of our race, the Adamic Race. Gen. 2:1-25 I quote in part, "there was not a man to till the ground." There was a man because God created male and female in the sixth day. The sixth day had passed as also had the seventh day: the day of rest. Genesis 2 brings us to the eighth day of Gods creation, and God noted there was not a man to till the ground. "The Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." This is the beginning of the Adamic Race. Adam is our fore father. "And the Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. — The tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil." You will note that God made or planted this garden especially for Adam. Adam was not named until verse 19, but this is all one and the same man so we call him Adam from verse 7 on. The naming time started in verse 19 and God gave to this man the name of Adam and Adam named every living creature, verse 20. The garden of Eden was made as a special dwelling place for Adam. The first creation had the entire earth to subdue and dominate. Adam was given a beautiful little garden all for his own. We are the posterity of a special creation. God has always dealt with us in a very special manner. From the beginning God had a special purpose for Adam and we shall show that purpose later on after we leave the direct thought of the beginning. God noted a need after fixing the garden of Eden so beauti-

fully and placing Adam within. Verse 20 —, "But for Adam there was not found an help meet for him." Therefore God proceeded to do something about this need. Adam was pleasing God and God supplied the need. This basic principle has been in effect from the beginning. Any time that man pleases God and there arises a need; God will begin to do something about that need. When man displeases God then man must suffer the consequences. Verses 21 through 25 tells us how God met the need of a help meet for Adam. "And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; And the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. — " Genesis 3:20 gives us the naming of this woman "And Adam called his wife's name Eve: because she was the mother of all living." Now we know that Eve was not the mother of every living thing; but Eve is the mother of all posterity of the Adamic Race. This is the beginning of our human family. This family includes all humans living today: black, yellow, red, and white. This is one of the mysteries of life; but the Bible gives us the only authentic record of how this all came about.

In the beginning God fixed it so that man, (and I speak of the Adamic Race), lived from the soil. Today man lives from the soil. There are some things that never change, and God in his great omniscient being has seen to that. Agriculture is the main part of our existence today. Even the great manufacturing industries depend upon the raw products of the soil. Dust we are and to dust shall we return. Our existence depends upon the soil. God blesses or curses the soil, and this is to our benefit or to our hurt. Whether we wish it to be so or not, God holds the balancing factor in his hands, and we are at His mercy. It has been this way from the beginning and it shall be this way until the end. Man will never be able to change this, it makes no

difference how hard he may try. From the beginning God intended men to live peaceably together. God allowed wars to come to Israel for punishments. God helped Israel to overcome their enemies by wars; because those nations were in disobedience. War is a measure of punishment and in a measure everyone gets hurt. It will take more than the education of man; it will take more than the programs of man; it will take more than the might of man to cause peace throughout the world. It will take obedience to God and the help of God. Specifically it will take the Lord Jesus Christ to return to this earth, and bring into existence the Kingdom of Christ upon this earth.

Let us turn our thinking to the duties of Adam in the garden of Eden. As God gives special blessings; God requires certain responsibilities. Adam and Eve were given a special place and Adam was given definite responsibilities of duties. Verse 15, Chapter 1, "And the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and keep it." Adam's first two duties were to dress the garden and to keep the garden. Verses 16 & 17, "And the Lord God commanded the man saying, of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: But of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." The first commandment given to Adam was to refrain from eating of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The Lord God had formerly told Adam that he might freely eat of every tree of the garden; but here was a bit of choice placed before Adam. The Lord God did not fix it so Adam could not eat freely of every tree; but the Lord God placed some consequences upon His, "Shalt Not." This has been true from the beginning. Man may do as he chooses; but if he chooses wrongly then he must suffer the consequences. The Lord God did not stretch the truth as some would have us believe. Genesis 5:5, "All the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years and he died." Adam did not live through one of God's days. One of God's days is one thousand years. II Peter 3:8, "But, beloved, be not ignorant

of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." You that would desire to live and not die have only to blame Adam. He could have chosen to eat of the tree of life; but instead he ate of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. The Lord God drove Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden and placed a flaming sword and Cherubims to keep the tree of life. The Adamic Race have sought for the tree of life, or fountain of youth, until this day and will keep seeking until time shall be no more. Let me tell you a little secret. The tree of life, or fountain of youth, can only be found through Jesus Christ the Lord. I do not mean that we can expect to grow younger by seeking Christ; but in God's own time and through Christ shall come Eternal life. Genesis 3:22-24, "And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever: Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life." The Lord God desired a creation that would love him, and obey him, by their own choosing. He hoped that in Adam this desire would be realized. Such was not the case so the Lord God done the best by Adam and Eve that he could do. The Lord God could not allow them to eat of the tree of life and live forever after they had disobeyed him. Adam and Eve could have been left in this terrible predicament but the loving kindness of the Lord God did not decide such harsh measures. Though they were driven from their Paradise and all seemed to be lost; God did not leave them to their fate. Genesis 3:15, "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." From the near beginning the Lord God promised Adam and Eve a way of redemption.

Through the years God has worked to redeem the Adamic Race. First came the Judges, then Kings,

then the Law, then the New Testament, sealed by the blood of the only begotten Son of God. God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, to condemn sin in the flesh; that by his death man might be reconciled to God. Death came by Adam. Life came by Jesus Christ. The first Adam was made a living soul. The last Adam, (Jesus Christ), was made a quickening spirit. As in Adam all die; so in Christ shall all be made alive. A way for man's redemption has been planned from the fall; or near the beginning.

Christianity is not something that was hatched in the past 2 or 3 thousand years. Christianity is the plan of God to bring redemption to the Adamic Race. The basic principle of Christianity is redemption from the fall. Jesus Christ is the center of Christianity; and it shall be through Jesus Christ that all things shall be restored to the Adamic Race. Yes, more than all things, as some shall come into possession of Immortality. Jesus Christ, by the Holy Ghost, is in the process of bringing heaven on earth. One of these days the clouds shall show forth the second coming of Jesus Christ. The first coming was as a babe in Bethlehem of Judea. The Second Coming shall be from the clouds with power and great glory. His feet shall touch this earth on the Mount of Olives. Zechariah 14:4. Christ shall subdue the Kingdoms of the earth and shall rule one thousand years upon this earth in peace. Rev. 20:4.

Not only was there a beginning but there shall be an end. I sincerely hope and pray that the beginning of this publication shall abound more and more until the coming of our Lord and Savior. Rev. 21:6-7, "And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son."

Polvado's & Dewee's  
Big Spring, Texas  
September 28, 1954

Dear Brother and Sister Schultz:

Received your good letter and was very glad to hear from you. This

finds us all well and enjoying the blessings of the Lord.

In regard to the information concerning the convocation, we are sending you a bill which will answer most of your requests. Brother Donald Dibbens and Martha Ruth Somerford will be in charge of the choir in the night services.

Church report:

The Big Spring Apostolic Faith church enjoyed a good revival in August conducted by Brother Jake Pletcher and family.

The work of the Lord is progressing here with good interest in the regular services, and an increase in Sunday School attendance. A Friday night Bible study has been added to the regular services which is proving to be a blessing to all who attend.

All ministers and gospel workers are invited to come by and visit the services.

George Polvado, Pastor

Katy, Texas

September 28, 1954

Dear Schultz's:

Received your letter yesterday. Good to hear from you all again, and glad the new paper is about to be published.

Things here are going pretty good. This is about the "busiest" church we have pastored. Prayer meeting at Brookshire, Tuesday night, then we have been having open discussion Bible lessons here on Wednesday night, 11:00 a. m. prayer meeting Thursday morning, 2:00 p. m. service with Brother Stockdick, choir practice on Thursday night, then the usual Sunday services. We are making plans to start a radio program, remote control from the church on Sunday mornings. The whole church seems quite enthused. We have so much local talent, we feel a radio program can be a blessing. We are enjoying working with the people here and services have been real good. We are also making plans to convert one of the back Sunday school rooms into a nursery. There is quite a number of small babies here.

Mr. and Mrs. Olen Bachler, Pastors

Under the spell of infatuation the star of conscience is often dimmed and moral restraints are cast off.

# Storm Warning

Jerry McClenagan

Hurricane warnings have gone over the newscast in the past few weeks; people's hearts have been filled with fear and torment as the hurricanes have swept the eastern coast of the United States. But I have a storm in mind that people have been warned of year after year and yet seem not to take heed. I, once again, give you warning of the "storm of sin." Rivers of sin overflow the world today; torrents of its evil have torn the lives of many; day after day its winds have left many dazed, even dead, in its path. Yet they fail to take refuge in Christ Jesus, that "Great Refuge." The door of Repentance leads into this refuge — the refuge of Jesus' Blood, which not only cleanses from sin, but also keeps from sin. In the "secret of His pavilion" (Psa. 27:5) you can be hid; "set upon a rock" — that rock for which we cry — when the overwhelming flood of sin sweeps over our soul (Psa. 61:1-2). We also thirst to see His power and glory (Psa. 63:1-2) manifested in our lives then we drink contentedly of that Spiritual Rock (I Cor. 10:4) and start to build our house upon it, for we know it shall not fall in the midst of the storm. Matt. 7:25.

Many shall reject "this Stone" which has been rejected by men of long ago. But they that reject shall be crushed to powder in the day of final judgment (Matt. 21:44; Dan. 2:34). You still have a chance, to "fall upon that stone and be broken" — broken to be made anew in Him who is the "head of all principality and power." Col. 2:10.

Many are saying, "Peace and safety," but as they are proclaiming this, "sudden destruction cometh upon them." I Thess. 5:3. "Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, which as a tempest of hail and a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand." Isa. 28:2. This was given as warning to the drunkards of Ephraim who wore the crown of pride. This is only two of the things that are signs of the last days. II Timothy, third chapter tells us many signs

of the last days. "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come." II Tim. 3:1. The perilous times are here; the storm is fast upon us! You who know not Jesus Christ as your Refuge are seeking in vain for a refuge and a hiding place that you may rest in peace. But there is no natural refuge from this destructive, soul annihilating storm. There is only one refuge from these storms — the Rock, Christ Jesus. I point you to that Rock!

The "Waters shall overflow the hiding place" (Isa. 28:17) in which you are hidden, but if you "believe on that Stone — that tried stone, precious corner stone, and sure foundation laid by God — you shall not make haste." Isa. 28:16. "The Eternal God is thy Refuge" (Deut. 33:27) if you will let Him be. Psa. 18:1-2 can be your testimony: "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."

We urge you and beseech you, as

ambassadors for Christ, to be reconciled to God and find in Him and His beloved Son, who made an Eternal Atonement through the shedding of His blood, a Refuge from the Storm.

Hidden in the secret of His pavilion—  
When storms about me sweep;  
I rest; securely, sweetly - for God doth safely keep.

Surrounding cares and great temptations—

Yet in God's secret place I rest,  
Where all these storms - soul stirring storms - cannot molest.

Yes, storms sweep over land and nation;

And in my soul there's no release,  
But I, by God's great grace and love, am kept in perfect peace.

Geared to the times, anchored to the rock.

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God's man, in God's place, doing God's work, in God's way.

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You cannot take your money to heaven with you — but you can send it on ahead. (Mal. 3:10)

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