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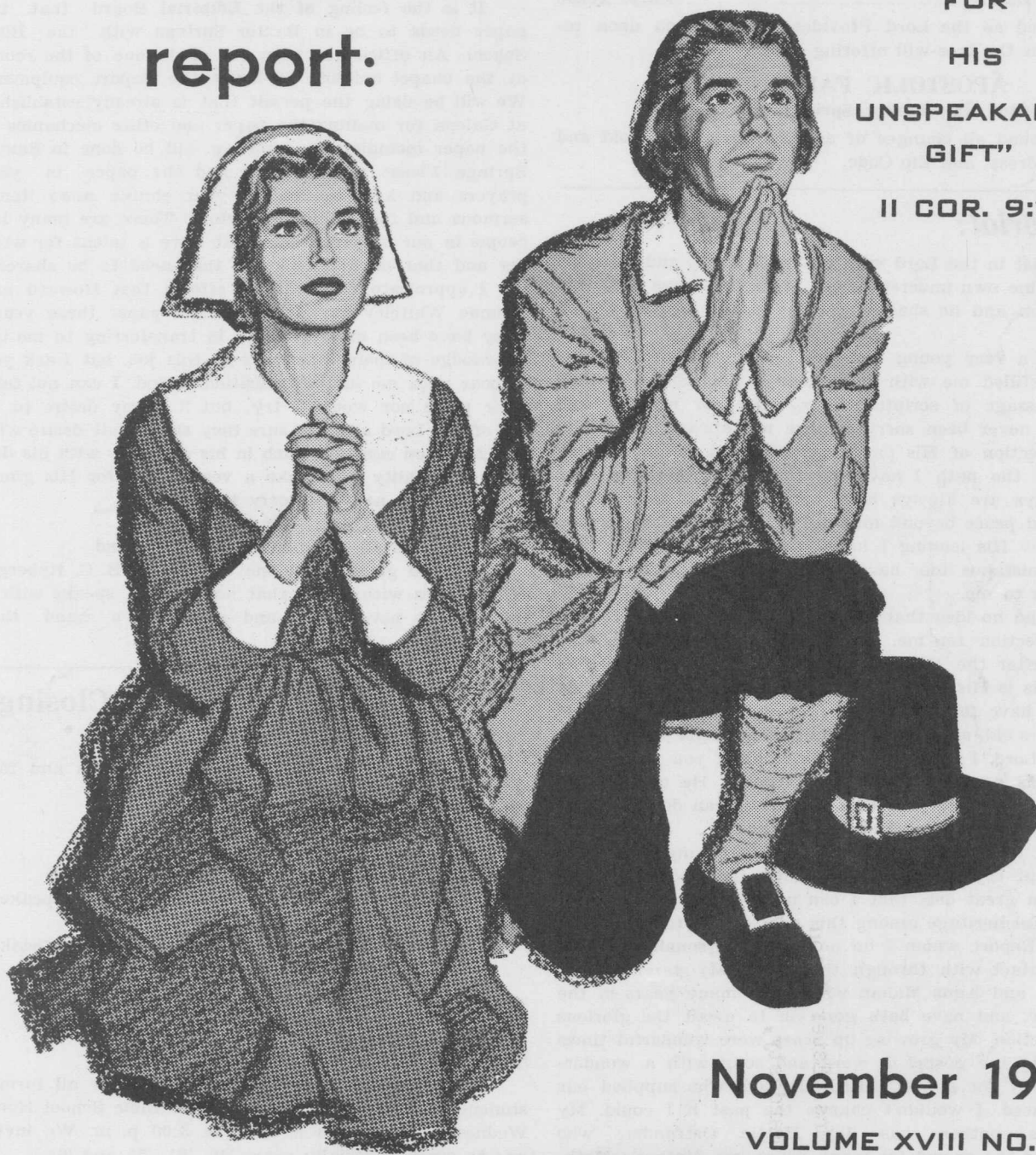
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Editorial:

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. Proverbs 3: 5 and 6.

As a very young teenager, when the Lord so graciously filled me with His precious Holy Spirit, I took this passage of scripture as a guide for my life, and I have never been sorry. I have not always understood the direction of His path, and often at an unexpected turn in the path I have questioned His direction. But His ways are always best, and they lead to satisfaction and peace beyond measure. The times I have failed to follow His leading I have regretted tearfully, but those mistakes too, have only made His way seem brighter to me.

I had no idea that editing the Apostolic Report was His direction for me. But, through much seeking the Lord, after the Editorial Board approached me, I feel that this is His work that He would have me do at this time. I have felt the call of God on my life since I was six years old, and I am happiest when active in the work of the Lord. I need the prayers of all of you as I undertake this new job; for I know that if He calls us He also equips us for the task ahead. "I can do all things through Christ, who strengthenth me."

My first obligation and debt is to my wonderful Lord, but beyond that I feel I owe the Apostolic Faith People a great debt that I can never repay. I have a wonderful heritage among this people. For those readers of the Report whom I do not know personally or have lost contact with through the years; My parents were Charles and Anna Mahan who spent many years in the ministry, and have both gone on to await the glorious resurrection. My growing up years were wonderful times of telling the gospel in word and song with a wonderful family for a WONDERFUL God, who supplied our every need. I wouldn't change the past if I could. My Father's mother was Sis. Hattie Ostrander, who preached the gospel for many years; my Mother's Moth-

er was Sis. Jessie Dibbens who did her preaching in song in revivals all over the country. Now God has given my husband, Rev. Otto A. Busch, and me 23 years together in the ministry, with our three children, Jene', Buzz and Brad. Since our move to Baxter Springs, Kansas, in the first part of August, my husband is in Evangelistic work, our two older children are out on their own, and I count it a privilege to be active in the work of the Lord through the printed page while I am here putting Brad in school.

It is the feeling of the Editorial Board that the paper needs to be in Baxter Springs with the Bible School. An office has been set up in one of the rooms at the chapel building to house the Report equipment. We will be using the permit that is already established at Galena for mailing the paper and other mechanics of the paper including the printing will be done in Baxter Springs. Please remember us and the paper in your prayers and keep sending in your church news items, sermons and testimonies of victory. There are many lay people in our congregations that have a talent for writing and that have testimonies that need to be shared.

I appreciate the untiring efforts that Howard and Yvonne Whiteley have put into the paper these years. They have been most gracious in transferring to me the knowledge of their experience at this job, but I ask you to bear with me in the transition period. I can not take their place nor would I try; but it is my desire to be led of the Lord and I'm sure they share that desire with me. And God can take each in his own way with his distinct personality and make a vessel used for His glory.

What need to worry then, or fret?

The God who gave His Son,

Holds all my moments in His Hand

And gives them, one by one! — B. C. Ryberg

"God writes with a pen that never blots, speaks with a tongue that never slips, and acts with a hand that never fails!"

Program — Bible School Closing

Wednesday, December 8, 1971

- 3:00 p. m. Registration of former students and faculty members
7:30 p. m. Annual Choir Concert

Thursday, December 9, 1971

- 10:30 a. m. Ordination — Lowell Long, Speaker
2:30 p. m. Homecoming — Winston Barker, Speaker
7:30 p. m. Commencement —
Harrol Waterbury, Speaker

Friday, December 10, 1971

- 9:00 a. m. Annual Business Meeting

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ! ! ! ! !

There will be an afternoon reception for all former students and faculty members at the Bible School Home Wednesday, December 8, 1971 at 3:00 p. m. We invite you to come, especially years '46, '51, '56 and '61.

THE BIBLE COLLEGE CHOIR TOUR



To: Apostolic Faith Report

It is a real privilege to come to you by the way of the report again.

We have passed the mid-term of school and are well into the last half of school. During the one week break, the school choir began its tour in Cave Springs, Arkansas, on October 9. On Sunday, October 10, the choir was at the home church in Baxter Springs. Tuesday morning at 5:00 a. m. about 60 students and faculty members loaded two buses and started for Laverne, Oklahoma, where we were scheduled for a concert in the high school auditorium at 2:00 p. m. About 800 attended that concert. From there we went to the Balko High School auditorium for a service that evening at 8:00 p. m. The auditorium was nearly full with more than 500 people to hear the choir. The next day, Wednesday, October 13, we were in the Hardesty, Oklahoma, high school for a concert with about 250 present. Wednesday evening the choir appeared in the Apostolic Faith Church in Guymon with a capacity crowd of some over 400. Thursday morning we left for Rockdale, Texas, where we conducted the service that night with a real good attendance. Friday we took the day off for some time of relaxation. Then Saturday evening we appeared in the Katy church to a full house. Sunday, the day was spent in Alvin, Texas, with the students having the morning service, and the choir presented their concert Sunday night to a packed house. Monday morning found us with the use of only one bus because of some transmission trouble with the other one. So we loaded the one bus, two cars, a pickup and rented trailer and traveled to Magnolia, Arkansas, for a concert Monday

night in the Bethel Church with another good crowd. Then on Tuesday morning we came on in to the school where we began class work on Wednesday.

I feel this trip was a very rewarding and successful experience, and our prayer is that God used the Bible College students to be a living testimony of the great love of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Our sincere thanks to everyone who made this trip possible. Especially those who furnished meals and lodging at each church we visited, those who supported this venture by the offerings, and those who prayed for the success of this trip. We traveled nearly 3,000 miles and witnessed to nearly 3,000 people, and God so graciously supplied every need.

A hearty thanks to Rev. and Mrs. Jack Barker who took their pickup to haul the risers and help co-ordinate the trip. Also a big thanks to Edwin Modrick and the Guymon church for the use of their bus and to Mark Adair and the Faith Student Center for the use of their bus. Also thanks to Mark Adair and Doug Hibbs for driving their bus. Thanks to Rev. Jim Wallis, Kenneth Doty, Rev. L. J. Ehrlich for the use of their cars in the absence of one bus.

The school is doing real well, and God has certainly blessed in every way.

Please plan to attend the graduation exercises on December 8, 9.

Sincerely,
Rev. Ted Barker
 Apostolic Faith Bible School
 Superintendent

It's Your Salvation

By Mike Nine

. . . . Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. Phil. 2: 12

Luke 2: 52 "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man."

Christianity is not a status at which one arrives, it is a life in which one matures. Being a Christian doesn't begin and end the moment you accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. That's only the beginning of a whole new life style.

There is no such thing as one form of Christianity being written for the younger generation and another one being written for the older generation (Eph. 4: 5, 6). There's only one Christianity with gradual stages of growth. It's God's will that we all grow towards Christian maturity. In other words, we must pattern our lives after the Man who said "follow me" (John 12: 26). There should be a steady development into that man or woman that God would have us to be. When it comes to making Christianity our life style, we must let Christ perfect us, because we can only be perfected by the perfect Christ.

How do we grow?

The Bible says that we grow by the Word (I Pet. 2: 2, 3). Paul said that "the Word that God speaks is alive and active: it cuts more keenly than any two-edged sword; it strikes through to the place where soul and spirit meet, to the innermost intimacies of a man's heart" (Heb. 4: 12). Just as we look to a math book to learn math, we must look to the Bible to learn the "Christian way of life".

One of the essential parts of our Christian living is our prayer life. Without a good prayer life, our Christian living is destined for a fall. Paul talked about being in a constant attitude of prayer (I Thess. 5:17). Jesus Christ thought it was so important that He would often slip away from the crowds to pray, often arising early in the morning to go out and pray. If you're a student of God's Word, and spending time in prayer, then as it has been said, "your conscience becomes a thousand witnesses to you." (II Cor. 5: 11)

Sometimes while we're working out our own salvation with fear and trembling, we run into little "hang-ups". For instance, one hang-up might be "can I trust God?" We're afraid to just let go and let God. We may feel as if we can't trust God and that He doesn't know what's really best for our lives. The Bible says that if we "commit and trust our works unto the Lord, that He will cause our thoughts to become agreeable to His will, and so shall our plans be established and succeed" (Prov. 16: 3 Amplified Bible; Ps. 37: 5.)

Another problem that might give us some difficulty in working out our salvation is the "do's and don'ts." Some of these "do's and don'ts" may be Biblical; others may be traditional. Generations have set different priorities on various things and complain about anyone who sees things differently. But Jesus says "He is The Way." Since Jesus Christ is a whole way of life, anything else that becomes a way of life is sin. We must center our Christianity around Jesus Christ. As long as we're doing this, we won't have to worry too much about what we shouldn't do. If Christ is the central point of our Christianity, then we will become so involved in the do's that the don'ts will no longer present a real problem to us (Rom. 7: 6).

If Christ is not the central point of our Christian living, if our Christian experience is built only upon the encouragement of others, or past experiences, or simply hope for the future, or if it is built around a bunch of don'ts, then our Christian living is in serious trouble. It will not stand a severe storm of trials and temptations (Matt. 7:26) The foolish build on the sand; the wise on the Rock — Jesus!

But just because some of those don'ts aren't mentioned in the Bible doesn't necessarily mean we shouldn't make them principles to live by. We need to ask ourselves "what's the reason?"

We have authority in other realms of life. Mathematics has its inviolable rules, formulas, and equations; if these are ignored, no probable answers can be found.

Music has its rules of harmony, progression, and time. To break these rules is to produce discord.

It makes no difference if you're playing a game, driving a car, or baking a cake, there are certain rules that need to be followed.

We must remember not to get too close to the cliff. We cannot wallow in mud and play in filth without getting dirty. Even an IBM machine is not a garbage disposal. If you dump your garbage into it, it will begin to produce garbage. The Bible says we are to "abstain from all appearance of evil" (I Thess. 5:22) Don't flirt or play in sin; it will eventually get the best of you (Ez. 18: 4, 20)

It is easy not to work out your own salvation, but the Bible tells us that the Holy Spirit will be a teacher who will lead us into all truth as long as we have a healthy Bible study and prayer life.

We need to ask ourselves, "would I feel right about this if Jesus were here?" God sees and knows everything anyway. So when in doubt it is better to be "safe than sorry". Remember, don't get too close to the cliff!

In the final analysis you're not going to be judged by a certain group of people or by church dogma, but by God Almighty. Our salvation needs to be worked out until it becomes something of our very own, and not someone else's. It needs to be worked out to the point that it becomes between just God and you.

Have you ever thought about the enthusiasm that Paul must have had in his service to Jesus Christ? Years later he was able to look back over his past and say, "I've fought a good fight, I've kept the faith, from henceforth is laid up for me a crown of righteousness". (II Tim. 4: 8) We say some day I want to be able to say the same words that Paul said. The Bible says "greater is He that is within you than he that is in the world" (I John 4:4; Jude :24) And again the Bible says "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand." (John 10: 27, 28)

How do we fight?

This is a spiritual warfare that we're engaged in. The Bible says that "the trying of our faith worketh patience" (James 1: 3), but God is not the tempter (James 1: 13). God may allow you to be tempted, but He promises not to allow you to be tempted above that ye are able to stand (I Cor. 10: 13). Besides an untested faith is not worth having.

Sometimes it may seem as though our own little worlds have caved in on us. Maybe they have, but maybe they needed to. Some times we need something to jar us back to reality. "Whom God loveth, He chasteneth" (Heb. 12: 26) Do you suppose that God loves us so much that He does allow us to go through some trying times so we can come out a stronger Christian for Him, thereby arriving at a greater realization that God's Way is the best and only way? Paul wrote "endure hardness as a good soldier" (II Tim. 2: 3). One of the reasons that Paul was such a great Christian is that he endured the hardness, turning every defeat into a victory for God. Ephesians 6 talks about "putting on the whole armor of God". This is a spiritual warfare we're engaged in. To insist on fighting a spiritual warfare without God's armor is to commit spiritual suicide! It's like going down the street to gather up a team of little leaguers to play the New York Mets. We must therefore be properly equipped for battle. Our faith is in Jesus Christ, our sword is God's Word, and our God is only a whisper away not willing that any should perish. (Luke 8: 24)

We have been given access to the greatest power on earth, always available in time of need, simply by asking. "Greater is he that is within you, than he that is within the world" (I John 4: 4), He has promised to "never forsake us or leave us" (Heb. 13: 5). He is "a friend that sticketh closer than a brother" (Prov. 18: 24). In your "weakness He will make you strong" (II Cor. 12: 9). Jesus says "My grace is sufficient" (II Cor. 12: 9). Rely upon His strength. "Cast all your cares upon Him, because He cares for you" (I Pet. 5: 7).

Niebur once said, "What doesn't kill me, makes me stronger." Edna Shultz has said, "When the going gets tough, the tough always get going." The Bible says, "Having done all else stand" (Eph. 6: 13). In other words when all of our spiritual resources and all of our own power seemingly has been exhausted, stand anyway! Just simply be willing and God will give you the strength. If you must lean, then lean on Jesus. Let Jesus fight your battles, release them into His Hands. He'll help you, and together you'll come out victorious.

October 4, 1971

Dear Ones of the Faith:

As all of you know, Brother and Sister Howard Whiteley have resigned as Editors of the Apostolic Faith Report. After several years of faithful labors they feel that the burden for this work has been lifted.

We take this opportunity to express our deep appreciation for their untiring efforts in bringing the Report to the Movement for these years. Many hours of self-sacrifice are hidden in each issue of the paper. Our sincere "Thanks" is not sufficient, only God can justly reward these servants of God. We pray for them as they continue to work in the "fields ripe unto harvest".

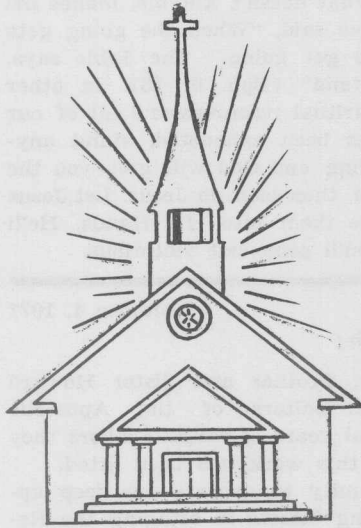
Through much prayer and meditation, we have sought for someone with a burden for the work of the Lord to carry on the printing of the Report. We felt led of the Lord to ask Sister Naomi Busch to consider this task. After several weeks of prayer, she felt in divine order to assume this responsibility on a trial basis. The Editorial Board feels that Sister Busch is capable and well qualified to perform this task, if, you as a church, you as a pastor, you as a minister, assist her in every way. Be faithful in sending in church reports, sermons, prayer requests, and testimonies of victory for your church or members of your congregation. Many times when God has so graciously healed or brought victory to somebody, that testimony is needed to inspire faith to someone who is in the darkest moment of their life.

Remember — the Report is published on the free-will offering plan. It must pay it's own way. We will not create an indebtedness to publish the Report. Hereafter, send all offerings, materials and correspondence to **Naomi Busch, P.O. Box 658, Baxter Springs, Kansas 66713.**

The Board of Directors of the Apostolic Faith would like to announce a special Business Meeting of the entire Movement on December 10th, 1971 at 9:00 A. M., in Baxter Springs, Kansas. We urge all ministers of the faith and all church board members to be present at this important meeting. Also, a complete report from the Advisory and Research Committee will be discussed.

We appreciate your prayers, your confidence, and your support, and we ask you to make us a part of your daily prayer life in a greater measure than ever before.

**Roland Busch
Doyle Wiles
Bill Hollis**



News from Our Churches

Arnett, Oklahoma

The Lord continues to pour out His blessings by saving a soul in our revival with Rev. Harroll Waterbury of Perryton, Texas conducting the services.

Our Youth are painting mail boxes to pay for a sign to be placed South of Arnett. It will read "God Knows Your Troubled Heart, He Cares."

Our remodeling project is to install new colored windows, hang some new doors and redo the outside trim and walls.

Bro. Heil spoke at the Youth Rally in Liberal, Kansas September 27. Our Ladies' Prayer Meeting has been changed to Tuesday evening at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday evenings we are studying "The Life of Christ", and baptismal services are scheduled for the last Sunday in October.

Our pastor has pointed out to us "We need to profit from the other fellows' mistakes because life will never be long enough for us to make them all ourselves."

Ruby V. Kibbe, reporter
Rene A. Heil, pastor

Galena, Kansas

Our church attendance is getting back to normal after summer vacations. The Christian Friendship Circle also has resumed after being disbanded for the summer. We have two from our church going to Bible School. They are Mrs. Sharon Wilson and Duane Cox. We have enjoyed having several visiting ministers recently, including Bro. Regier, Sis. Louise Sutton, Bro. Carl Jelsovsky, and Bro. Otto Busch. We are glad to have Bro. Clanton's mother with us. We ask for your prayers.

Rita Robinson, reporter
Paul Clanton, Pastor

Spearman, Texas

We give thanks to the Lord for His many blessings. He supplies our needs, gives us health and strength, and we have His presence every day and in our services, so we need not complain.

Our pastors Bro. and Sis. Regier are teaching in Bible School. Bro. and Sis. Gene Cornell are filling the pulpit in their absence. Bro. Cornell is preaching some good sermons and giving some good Bible Lessons. We ask the prayers of God's People for revival and for people to see their need of serving the Lord.

Mrs. Irvin Delk, reporter
Bro. Gene Cornell, pastor

Kingman, Kansas

Pastoral work is something completely new to us and the challenge of working for the Lord in this new way has been exciting and rewarding to say the least.

Kingman is a very beautiful town and the residents here are all very wonderful people to work with. We feel that there is a tremendous spirit of unity within the Church itself and everyone has dedicated themselves to working actively for the Glory of God. Several rebuilding and improvement projects are on the agenda for this fall and winter. We hope to have a completely "new" face on the outside of our Church by the end of October. We are also wanting to redecorate several of our classrooms, add rugs, and paint walls. We are planning a flower box sign, as well as some other landscape projects. We know we are looking into the future a ways, but visions are what build works within communities.

Upon our arrival here as pastors (Aug. 29), we started keeping all new statistics for the Church. In September we had a high attendance of 26 and a low of 19 with a four week average of 22. On October 10, Bro. Jake Regier came to be with us for a service and our old attendance record was broken by having 28 in Sunday School and 30 in Church. And the Spirit of the Lord was so wonderfully felt during this Service. Bro. Jake brought us an outstanding message on keeping our heads up during distressing times.

We are very pleased with the results and response in our community. God has been Blessing us in our services and in our personal work. I am firmly convinced that the Kingman Apostolic Faith Church can and will be a "city set on a hill which cannot be hid". We covet the prayers of people from all corners of the movement. God Bless all of you.

Carl Jelsovsky, Pastor
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Pine Hill, Alabama

God has been so very good to us and we are expecting "Greater things yet."

We have missed the presence of our young people who are attending Bible School, but are so grateful for them to have the privilege to enjoy this time of spiritual training. And we are eager for their return to our area for we know they will be a blessing to our church once again.

Our Ladies Bible Study Group has been enjoying some very inspirational studies. Also we have been working on several projects to improve our Sunday School classrooms, and a linen project for the Bible School.

We desire your prayers for the people here, as well as for our lives. There is much to be done and God has given us the promise, "Whatsoever ye desire when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." Praise His Name!

Bro. Jim Arnall, Pastor

Hardesty, Oklahoma

Once again we're glad to report that God is still blessing His people. We're so thankful for the moving of God we've seen in our midst. Our Tuesday night prayer meetings have certainly been an added benefit. Around 8 or 9 attend these special prayer sessions and God is answering prayer. Our Sunday School contest now in progress has created interest among our people to work for God and invite their friends and neighbors to church. We're trusting that the seed that has been sown will bring forth a bountiful harvest. Pray with us that our revival with the Rev. O. A. Busch will be a time of Real reviving among the Christians and the lost finding the Saviour they need.

Howard Whiteley, pastor

**Pampa Chapel
Pampa, Texas**

Brother and Sister Edwin Waterbury and family are at last "at home" in Pampa, and we are enjoying their ministry. They have been visiting in the hospitals and the Rest Home. This has been appreciated by the folk in both places.

We have begun the Youth Rally again with Amarillo, Dumas and Pampa. We have had real good attendance and believe the enthusiasm is growing among our Youth. Our Young People also had a meeting with the young people of Kingsmill and several other churches and will meet with them again in November.

Our next project for the church improvement is to carpet the basement. It will help so much in the clean up program and we trust to have that done before long.

Remember to pray for us and we would welcome each Minister who could come by and visit us.

**Edwin Waterbury, pastor
Anabel Simmons, reporter**

Your Appearance

by Mark Bard, Joplin, Mo.

Your appearance is your outward aspect or look. It is the impression you leave on another person. The temple of God may fare good on the inside, but how does the outside look. Does the inside have enough of God to make the outside give off a good Christian appearance? Do we look like Christian men and women when we stand by the world every day? Or do we blend in with the world and can't be seen?

It is not impossible to describe the dress of Christians. First, we must come in contact with God and let Him rule our every action and thought.

In Gen. 2: 21-25, why were they not ashamed of their nakedness? Guilt and sin had not entered into their lives. In Gen. 3: 4-12 we find a different story. They sewed fig leaves together and made aprons, because sin and guilt entered into them. Their eyes were opened. They were ashamed of their nudeness and put on clothing to cover it. Today Christians are taking off their fig leaves to show their nudeness. This is SIN.

In I Tim. 2: 9-10 is the words, "modest apparel." Modest means: decent, limited to size, amount and aim. The aim of a lot of Christians is to wear what the world wears, but still appear to look like a Christian. This is impossible, modest apparel and modern apparel are opposites. There is no limit to the size and amount of the modern styles and fashions. But modest apparel has a limit to size, amount and aim.

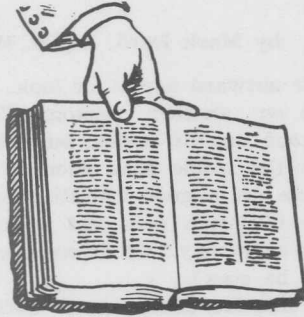
When you shortened your dress inch by inch; did you ask yourself, "should I or shouldn't I"? If it wasn't wrong why did you ask yourself? Wasn't guilt present until it was seared?

Can you tell a sinner when he or she walks into the church? Or does everybody look alike; sinner and Christian? You used to be able to tell the sinner by his appearance and actions. Times have changed, but God's law has not changed.

You might say its nobody's business what I as a Christian wear. You represent Christ and the Church. The way you appear may be the only way a sinner looks for Christ in you. Read Duct. 22:5, I Cor. 11: 14-15, I Cor. 6: 19-20, and Romans 12: 2.

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GOD'S WORD

Mrs. E. A. Greever
Spearman, Texas

In this world of uncertainty, one thing we creatures of the dust can know will not change is **God's Word**. Forever it is settled in heaven, Psa. 119: 89 Till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass till all be fulfilled, Matt. 5: 18. Under the law His word was thou shalt or thou shalt not, but the law was weak through the flesh, so God sent His Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin condemned sin in the flesh.

Jesus said in answering a scribe as to what was the first commandment of all; "The first of all the commandments is, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: This is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these." Mark 12: 29 - 31. And in Matt. 22: 40 we are told on these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. So love was the fulfilling of the law. Rom. 13: 10

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3: 16. And Christ loved the church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish. Eph. 5: 25-27.

Dear friends, we are all on life's journey, and in our travels here on earth we follow the instructions of someone who has mapped out the way, this being our guide to our final destination, and on our journey we are also on one of two roads, one is a broad way and has a wide gate; the other has a strait gate and narrow way. The broad road leads to destruction and many are in this way, but the narrow road with few traveling it leads to life eternal.

Holy men were moved by the Holy Spirit and made a road map for all to read that they might not perish but have everlasting life. It is the Holy Bible. This book tells us the final destination of people on both roads. One leads to death, the other to life; for the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Rom. 6: 23 By one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience

of one shall many be made righteous. Rom. 5: 19 This was Adam's sin in the garden and Jesus Christ gave His life that all be saved and cleansed from all sin. Now Jesus said I am the door; by me if any man enter in he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture. John 10: 9.

God is no respecter of person. And no one can close the door against you, and no one can open it for you. It is up to everyone of us to ask, seek, and knock for an abundant entrance. If we do the door will be opened. Eternity is ahead. Life or death, what is your decision?

And now let us remember dear sister or brother in Christ, the Lord in old testament scriptures tells us He commands His sanctified ones; and Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. It is good news we have for all. Life through Christ. In Isa. 55: 10- 11 we are told just as the rain and snow cometh from heaven watering the earth, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall God's Word be that goeth forth out of His mouth. It shall not return unto Him void but it shall accomplish that which He pleases and shall prosper in the thing where He sends it.

The Lord will do anything He can wherever He can. He is seeking hungry hearts, so let us remember the admonition of our beloved Bro. Paul to Timothy in 2 Tim. 4: 1-4 "I charge thee therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ who shall judge the quick (living) and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom. Preach the word: be instant in season and out of season, reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine, (Jesus said my doctrine is not mine but His that sent Me, and He says as the Father has sent Me so send I you). For, the time will come, when they will not endure sound doctrine.

O, how blessed it is to be among the number who are sent to declare God's Holy Word, that men everywhere might repent and believe the gospel.

There is evil everywhere — TAKE THE WORD!
 There is unbelief in many quarters — TAKE THE WORD!
 There is ungodliness in so many places — TAKE THE WORD!
 There is lethargy in some churches — TAKE THE WORD!
 There are needy, hungry-hearted everywhere — TAKE THE WORD!



Quality Versus Quantity

by Joe B. Dewees

Hempstead, Texas

The call of God is to whosoever will and it is not the will of God for anyone to perish but there are conditions we must meet to be one of God's children.

The Bible tells us to **strive** to enter in at the strait gate, for many will seek to enter in and shall not be able. Luke 13: 24

Matt. 22:14 says many are called but few are chosen. Good conduct is certainly expected of Christians of any age. Please read Titus 2:12. In verses 11 and 12 Paul says, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, teaching us that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world."

God is more interested in quality than quantity, or numbers. In Judges 7 we find where the Lord had Gideon to test his army and though he only had 32,000 men in his army, he tested them and used only 300 men who met God's conditions. God gave the 300 men a great victory. God has a standard for the army of the Lord.

In Luke 9: 57-62, three men came to Jesus but they did not meet His conditions, and Jesus said unto them, "No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

In Matt. 19: 16-22 a man came to Jesus but was unable to meet certain conditions. The rich young ruler was a good fellow but he did not meet the standard Jesus set for him and he went away sorrowful.

In I Sam. 16: 5-12, God sent Samuel to anoint a king over Israel. Seven of Jesse's sons passed before him and though some of them were trained army men, God told Samuel that they did not meet his standard for a king. Samuel asked Jesse if he had another son and he said there was another one who tended the sheep. When David was brought in, he was chosen. In verse 7 it says, "For the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart."

In Matt. 3:1-10 John refused to baptize the Pharisees and Sadducees that came to be baptized, and told them to bring forth fruits meet for repentance. John was more interested in quality than quantity or numbers.

We surely need more people in our churches, but if we lower the standard to get numbers, we will go down with the rest of this untoward generation.

In John 6:53-68, Jesus was not more interested in numbers than in quality, or he would have soft-pedaled his doctrine and watered down what he told a large group who followed him for the loaves and fishes. In verse 53, it says, "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." They said, "this is a hard saying; who can hear it?"

In verse 66 it says many of his disciples went back and did not follow him any more. Then he asked the twelve if they were going away also, and Peter said, "Lord, to whom shall we go, thou hast the words of eternal life."

We can lower ourselves and drag others down, but we cannot lower God's standard. Ps. 100:5 "For the Lord is good, his truth endureth to all generations."

Some of the brethren are saying that the way we dress and act doesn't make any difference. Every thing of this nature should be over looked, and get larger crowds in our churches. We did not set the standard in the beginning, it is God's standard. May God help us to live by His standard.

Jesus did not expect a multitude to inherit eternal life. Matt. 7-13-14. "Enter ye in at the strait gate; for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in there at; Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

If we are not careful to obey the Bible we could be like some of the ones Jesus tells us about in Matt. 7: 21-23 "Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my father, which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? And in thy name cast out devils? And in thy name done many wonderful works? And then I will profess unto them I never knew you: depart from me ye that work iniquity."

Strive to enter in at the strait gate, fight the good of faith, and lay hold of eternal life.

Whom Is He Kidding?

When a man says he can't keep awake through a 30-minute sermon, but stays home with his 700-column newspaper, **he's got to be kidding.**

When a man says Sunday is his only day of rest, and gets up at 6 a. m. to go hunting, or spends the day on a golf course, **he's got to be kidding.**

When a man says he can't afford to tithe, but lives in a comfortable home, drives a new car, eats well, clothes his family with stylish clothes, **he's got to be kidding.**

When a man says he doesn't have time for Christ and His church, then spends evenings shopping, bowling, or watching television, **whom is he kidding?**

Certainly not God!

**OBITUARY
OF
DAVID NEFF**

David Arthur Neff, Born November 25, 1937, at Wichita, Kansas, and departed this life September 25, 1971 at the age of 33 years and 10 months.

David was converted at an early age and his entire life was spent serving his Lord in whatever capacity he was led to do. He attended the Apostolic Faith Bible School at Baxter Springs, Kansas in 1956. The last few months his dedication seemed deepened by time spent helping at the Tomball Apostolic Faith Church. Recently he had played bass guitar for Vicki and the Royal Heirs quartet.

He was united in marriage to Thelma Louise Clanton, July 12, 1957, and to this union was born Dava Lynn, age 12, and Shawn David, age 8.

Other survivors include his parents, Franklin and Velma Neff, of Wichita, Kansas; two sisters, Edna C. Freeman, of Follett, Texas, and Eva J. Hollis of Wichita, Kansas; one Grandmother, Mrs. Myrtle Neff of Wichita, Kansas, and a host of other relatives and friends.

The funeral was held at the Tomball Apostolic Faith Church, Thursday, September 30, 1971 at 8:00 p. m. and graveside services and burial were at Vanderpool, Texas, Friday, October 1, at 2:00 p. m., with Rev. A. B. Stanberry in charge. Bro. M. D. Methvin, and Bro. George Polcado assisted.

Those assisting in the services at Tomball were, Ministers: Ted Barker, G. K. Kerr, Marcus Adair, Olen Bachler, and A. B. Stanberry Sr. Those helping with the music were Soloists: Norma Jean Doty, and Vicki Patterson, a quartet composed of Buddy Stanberry, Gene Allen, Royce Grant and Bill Patterson; with Roberta Grant at the organ.

Pallbearers were men he worked with at Braniff Airlines.

A NOTE OF THANKS

The families of David and Thelma Neff wish to express deep appreciation for all the consideration and kindness shown them during this tragic time for them, and to thank the many friends and neighbors who brought food, sent flowers, came to the home and to the hospital to help in any way; and they are especially thankful for the many many prayers that have gone up for them. May God bless you.

Those wishing to send memorial offerings can send them to the following:

Tomball Apostolic Faith Church
c/o A. B. Stanberry
or The Apostolic Faith Bible School
Box 110, Baxter Springs, Kansas
or The Lost Pines Encampment
c/o Doris Stanberry

Your Prayers Requested

We have all been saddened by the tragic accident of the David Neff family on Saturday, September 25. David Neff was killed instantly and his wife Thelma, was critically injured. God has already performed a miracle in her life and at the present time she is in Herman Hospital, Room 457, Houston, Texas. Doctors say she has a long seige ahead of her, but God is able to complete the work he has already started in her body. Please pray for this family. Their daughter Dava Lynn was seriously injured too but she is out of the hospital now. Shawn was not injured in the automobile accident, which took place in Conroe, Texas, a suburb of Houston, where they have been living for about 2 years.

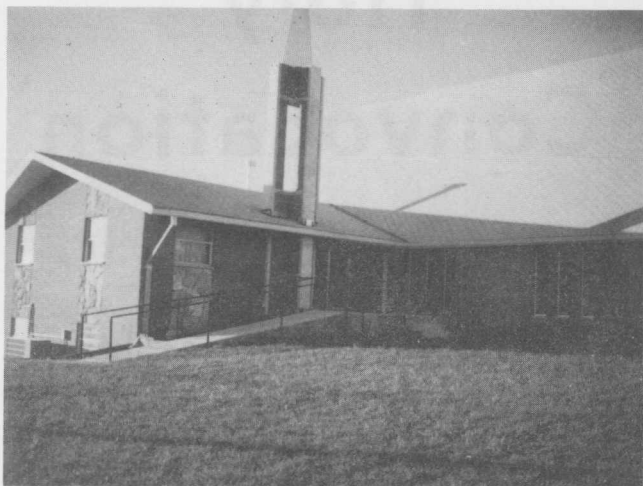


*I Ought to Be
THANKFUL*

For grief unsuffered, tears unshed,
For clouds that scattered overhead;
For pestilence that came not nigh,
For dangers great that passed me by;
For sharp suspicion soothed, allayed;
For doubt dispelled that made afraid;
For fierce temptation well withstood,
For evil plot which brought forth good:
For weakened links in friendship's chain
That, sorely tested, stood the strain;
For harmless blows with malice dealt,
For base ingratitude unfelt;
For hatred's keen unuttered word,
For bitter jest, unknown, unheard:
For every evil turned away,
Unmeasured thanks I give today.

— Selected

When you start picking a person to pieces, jump on the nearest fence and watch yourself go by!



Church Dedication

The dedication service for Faith Chapel in Wichita, Kansas was held at 2:30 p. m. Sunday, October 31, 1971. This beautiful new church, located at 6808 E. Harry, has been completed after 3 years of hard work by the members of the congregation. This group of people used to worship in what was formerly known as New York Tabernacle. The new church is located in a new and growing part of town and has great possibilities for reaching new and unchurched people.

Rev. Oscar Moore of Fayetteville, Arkansas was the guest speaker for this special occasion and D. A. Drachenberg, choir director of the church, was the master of ceremonies. Special music for the service was by Jacque Spicer, of the home church, Diane and Renita Richardson, of Frisco Church, Webb City, Missouri, a quartet from Faith Student Center in Canyon, Texas, composed of Keith Barker, Glen Fullbright, J. E. James, and Dale Ditto, accompanied by Donnis Barker, and Bro. Kenneth Flora, former pastor of the church now residing in Alvin, Texas.

The congregation wishes to express their appreciation and thanks to their good pastor, Paul Bailey, who has put in many hours of labor on the structure and his ministry in preaching the Word of God has been a blessing to all.

These people earnestly desire the prayers of Christian people that their new church will be a lighthouse to a dark world and that souls will be saved and others blessed by God through the lives of those that worship there. A hearty welcome to visit the church at any time is extended to all.



A little four word slogan that is seen in church bulletins, on bumper stickers, college campuses, and various other places today has brought reassurance to many. Beneath the glass cover of many an office desk, it has started the day off right for executives, clergy, secretaries and all kinds of office help. Housewives go about their household duties with happier hearts as the four words smile at them from their place on the wall. What better reason is there to SMILE than because GOD LOVES YOU! "If God be for us, who can be against us?"



Brenda Kay Gold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gold of Crane, Missouri, and Daniel Dwight Clanton, son of Rev. and Mrs. Paul Clanton, of 1811 Main, Galena, Kansas were united in marriage in a beautiful candle-light ceremony in the Spring Grove Apostolic Faith Church in Galena, Kansas, August 20, 1971. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Paul Clanton. Miss Carolyn Quizenbery was the soloist, accompanied on the organ by Miss Shari Cook. Daniel and Brenda are living in Baxter Springs.

Belva Gayle Fussell, daughter of Mrs. Blanche Fussell and Mr. Gordon Fussell of Katy, Texas, and Roland Paul (Buzz) Busch, son of Rev. and Mrs. O. A. Busch of Baxter Springs, Kansas exchanged marriage vows September 24, 1971 in the home of the bride's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jordan of Katy. The candle-light rite was performed by Rev. O. A. Busch. Buzz and Belva are living in Poteau, Oklahoma.

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Twelve Rules For Raising Responsible Children

1. Begin with infancy to teach the child he cannot have everything he wants.
2. When he picks up bad words, correct him.
3. Give him spiritual training early in life.
4. Make frequent use of the word "wrong" in correcting bad acts.
5. Make him pick up his own things and do as many other things for himself as he can.
6. Be careful what you let him read.
7. Keep the home atmosphere pleasant and warm.
8. Make him earn his spending money.
9. See that sensual desires and cravings for food, drink and comfort are satisfied only in moderation.
10. Back him only when he's right and let him know you won't back him when he's wrong.
11. Accept your responsibility for his actions until he's of age to accept them himself.
12. Prepare for a life of satisfaction with your child. You are likely to have it.

ATTENTION!

The article in the September-October issue by Rev. Winston Barker on "THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT" was a complete article and should not have read (to be continued) at the close. Our mistake — sorry about that.

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