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The APOSTOLIC FAITH report:

Editorial ...

THE WRITTEN WORD

I have been intrigued of late with the written word; the comparative permanence of it, our inability to alter it once it is written, and the vast audience into whose hands it may fall now and in the years to come. The spoken word can easily be misquoted, and so often is. How hard it is to recall just what was said even though it made a vast impression on us at the time we heard it. But once those words are down in black and white they can be read and reread, studied, examined and referred to, passed on for others to read, and under strange circumstances fall into the hands of the most unlikely. This literally "scares me to death" as I sit at my typewriter each month asking God for something He would have me to say. At times I tear up and throw away many a copy before the final one is ready for the press; and I keep saying, "Lord, there has to be a better, more concise, clear way to express what I feel in my heart, Please show me!" And He does, thank God, he does. At other times when the inspiration is strong it seems that other hands than mine run over the keyboard, for there are few if any mistakes to correct and rewriting is unnecessary. Those are the precious times for I know of a surety that God has something to say to someone out there and wherever they are or whoever they may be God knows and will work on the other end of the line too. Even my worst efforts though, God has used at times to my utter amazement. How wonderful that He can even make our weaknesses, failures and mistakes turn into blessings and strengths if they are yielded to Him.

I don't really know what a good editorial is supposed to say. I have some ideas from reading after many others who have years of experience in writing. If it is only to express the ideas and notions of the Editor, then I am wasting both your time and mine for I have nothing worthwhile of myself to offer. But if I can just be a witness of the wonderful things that God has done for me and that He can do for anyone else who will put themselves at His disposal then I'll be happy to be used of the Master in this capacity. A prayer ascends from the bottom of my heart to God, "O, Lord, help me to write things by the help of your spirit that can inspire people now and for however long you shall see fit to preserve and use it, to love you more and serve you better. May I pass on to others, through this media and every other at my disposal, the precious truths that have been passed to me by the dedicated efforts of those gone on before. I know that the Apostolic Faith Report with its circulation of a little less than 3,000 monthly is a very small operation but the potential number of readers far exceeds that, and is by far the greatest audience I have ever faced before. I am sure that I have been more accutely aware of this since I have been trying to collect, restore, and preserve past issues of our paper since the first one in 1897 or 98. I keep asking myself the question, "Are you writing things worthy to be read now and much later. Will your children's children and those who

follow after benefit from your efforts?" This is a sobering thought and the responsibility rests heavy.

I am so glad that God thought so much of the written word that He has preserved, in spite of the opposing forces of the devil, His precious written word, The Holy Bible. It is here for us to read and treasure; to study and to test the spirits by, for the Spirit and the Word do agree. In this day and time we need that sure test for there are so many saying I am right. And what more sure way do we have of trying them than by God's holy written Word. In it we have an absolute authority on what is right and wrong if we will but use it. David said in Psalms 119: 89 "For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven." And in verse 93 of the same chapter, "I will never forget thy precepts: for with them thou hast quickened me." His Word is permanent and settled forever in the highest court of the world that now is and of the one to come. Matt. 24: 35 "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away." Thank God for the Written Word!!



WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

Barbara Quesenbury, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Quesenbury of Hardesty, Okla. and Gary Keith Crouse, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Crouse of Wichita, Kans. were united in marriage in the Apostolic Faith Church at Hardesty, Okla. on Saturday, February 3 at 7 p. m. Bro. Ted Barker, Superintendent of the Apostolic Faith Bible College at Baxter Springs, Kansas and a former pastor of the Hardesty church officiated at the ceremony. The new couple is making their home in Wichita, Kans.

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February:		April:	
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Thurs 15	Snell. Miss.	Tues 3	Las Vegas, Nev.
Fri 16	Pine Hill, Ala.		Roswell, N. Mex.
Sun 18	Baxter Springs, Ks.		Del City, Okla.
Tues 20	Kansas City, Mo.		Baxter Springs, Ks.
Sat. 24	Enid, Okla.	Wed., 11	Union Chapel, Stella, Mo.
Sun 25	Baxter Springs, Ks.	Thurs., 12	Crosses, Ark.
Mon. 26	Galena, Kans.	Fri., 13	Cave Springs, Ark.
Tues. 27	Joplin, Mo.		Granby, Mo.
Wed., 28	Arnett, Okla.	Sun., 15	Baxter Springs, Ks.
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March:			Tomball, Tex.
Thurs., 1	Follett, Tex.		Hempstead, Tex.
Fri., 2	Shattuck, Okla.		Smithville, Tex. (City)
Sat., 3	Woodward, Okla.		Baxter Springs, Kans.
Sun., 4 (a. m.)	Laverne, Okla.		Bellville, Tex.
Sun., 4 (p. m.)	Perryton, Tex	Thurs., 26	Pattison, Tex.
Mon., 5	Spearman, Tex.	Sun., 29 (a. m.)	Katy Texas
Tues., 6	Goodwell, Tex.	Sun., 29 (p. m.)	Alvin, Texas
Wed., 7	Balko, Okla.		
Thurs., 8	Midway Church, Logan, Okla.	May:	
Fri., 9	Beaver, Okla.		
Sat., 10	Gray, Okla.		Wayside Chapel, Edna, Tex.
Sun., 11 (a. m.)	Guymon, Okla.		Center Point, Tex.
Sun., 11 (p. m.)	Liberal, Kans.		Vanderpool, Tex.
Mon., 12	Hardesty, Okla.		Leakey, Tex.
Tues., 13	Canyon, Tex.		Big Spring, Tex.
Wed., 14	Amarillo, Tex.	Sun., 6 (a. m.)	Snyder, Tex.
Sun., 18 (a. m.)	Baxter Springs, Ks.		Ralls, Tex.
Sun., 18 (p. m.)	Kingman, Kans.	Mon., 7	Dumas, Tex.
Mon., 19	Kingman, Kans. (City)	Tues., 8	Kings Mill, Tex.
Tues., 20	Denver, Colo.	Wed., 9	Pampa, Tex.
Wed., 21	Bayard, Neb.	Sun., 13	Baxter Springs, Ks.
Thurs., 22	Hudson, Wyo.		Prosperity, Mo.
Sun., 25 (a. m.)	Modesto, Calif.		Centerton, Ark.
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SPECIAL NOTICE

The first meeting of the Bible School Board since the election of Bro. Jim Fox was held in Oklahoma City, January 18, 1973. An Advisory Committee was appointed consisting of

Doyle Wiles Paul Williamson

Gene Allen

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Raymond Barker

On February 9, 1973, this Committee and the Board met at the Bible School to see what was needed for the

next term of school. It was decided to make what repairs have to be made for this term of school and to start a building fund for completely remodeling or replacing the old home building and building more dormitory facilities.

Any funds that you wish to go into this building fund please so state on your check.

Your Bible School Trustees

Roland Busch

Bill Hollis

Jim Fox



Ours is a day of tremendous change, terrific pressures and great moral uncertainty. The Christian moralities have been attacked and found wanting in certain areas. Young people are clouded on the basic concepts of Christian living. The children and youth of our time need guidance and understanding more now than ever before in history. Christian youth must understand that what they do must be right in the sight of God, regardless of what others are doing.

God has given you talents, abilities, good bodies and fine minds. He has some special goals which you can reach in life. Following good principles will help you reach these God-given goals, and will leave few regrets.

Let's start with dating. Pre-highschool youth should not date, but be included in large groups with well-planned activities. Single dates by freshmen and sophomores should be discouraged. More wholesome and meaningful activities can be shared in a group. Steady dating among high school students should not be practiced. "Steady dating" is morally justified only when there is a possibility of a prudent marriage in the reasonable future. Tragic consequences often result from steady dating. Dating is good right and normal. But it must be done openly and with God's approval. There are a few rules we as God's children must follow. Love of any kind can not be taken lightly. Love is more than

the physical union of a husband and wife. Love is understanding, sympathy, forgiving and forgetting. It is rejoicing, patience, plodding and appreciating. It's adjusting, advancing, and it's life. True love is never in a hurry. Never, allow yourself to fall in love with a sinner. Never, never, marry a sinner. Test yourself to find out if its real, true love. For Christian young people there is no substitute for chastity. For the christian there need be only one answer to unchastity. It is SIN. Before you fall in love and before marriage, pray and pray hard and get God's approval. The Bible is the greatest book of love and the universal authority on the subject. God has enacted laws on love. Obedience to these laws bring health and happiness. Genuine love is clean, pure, generous, long-suffering, and faithful.

Have you ever asked yourself these questions: Should I date so and so? Should we be doing this? Should I go here or there with him or her? These questions have a correct answer if we want them answered. Stay close to God and pray with an honest heart.

Remember, never say "I do or I will" without God's consent. The best reading on this subject is in the Book of Love (The Bible).

Gen. 2: 23-24; Gen. 3: 16; Mark 10: 6-9; Heb. 13: 4; 1 Tim. 5: 14; 1 Peter 3: 1-8; 1 Cor. 7: 6-40; Romans 7:2; Col. 3: 18-19; I Tim. 3: 12; Eph. 5: 22-33.

When we take an in depth look into the scriptures we find there is instruction for every phase of our life. Instruction that comes by commandment, by statutes, by law, by example, by judgments, and by testimonies. As the Apostle Paul said, these are so that we may "know how we ought to walk and to please God." In this article I want to deal especially with one of these commandments that the scripture records.

From Exodus 22: 3 we read "for he should make full restitution". In this passage is given instruction how God wanted the Israelites to redeem themselves from wrongs they committed against each other. If a man stole an ox, he should restore five oxen; if he stole a sheep, he should restore four sheep; if the thief was caught with the merchandise in hand, he should restore double. These are but a few of the statutes that God set whereby men should make full restitution. I feel that in this grace dispensation the Lord does not necessarily require us to restore fourfold or even double. However, one thing is certain, God does require that we make a full restitution if we have caused harm or wrong to come to anyone. Lev. 6:4; Prov. 6: 31; Ez. 33:15. Some examples of men who made restitution are: Benhadad 2 Kings 8:6; the usurers Nehemiah 5: 12; and Zacchaeus Luke 19: 8.

So very often it seems men are willing to repent to God for their sins, but are too proud to make restitution to their neighbors. An experience I had three years ago has caused me to see more fully how necessary it is to make restitution.

I had begun to harbor ill feelings in my heart toward one of my minister brothers due to some things I had been told about him. Afterward I found those things to be untrue. The Lord dealt with me for several days before camp meeting about my feelings. I promised God I would settle the matter at camp meeting. At camp meeting I said if the individual should be standing alone away from the tabernacle that I would take that opportunity to settle my debt. I really thought that the chances of finding that kind of situation were so slight, I wouldn't have to worry about repenting to my brother. Then during an altar service one night, the Lord opened my eyes to see that minister standing outside the tabernacle alone. The Lord reminded me that this was the opportunity I had asked for. I'm so thankful that God helped me to take advantage of that opportunity. I now consider that minister to be one of the best friends I have.

Restitution is a very definite part of the plan of salvation. I hope I can help others to see that if they have failed to make full restitution surely there are manifold blessings to be enjoyed when we obey this statute of God's great law.

In conclusion we must say, if we will be a true child of God, it is necessary to make full restitution. No one is excused from any part of God's law. Restitution is clearly a due obligation.

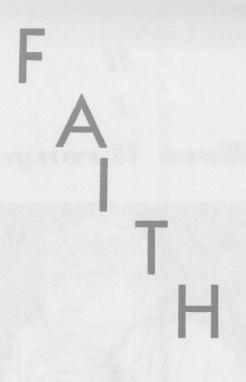
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If I Have Wronged



I Will Restore

by Ollie Kinzer,
Pastor of the 4th Street Church in Joplin, Mo.



What Is It?

Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Dewees

Faith is necessary and very valuable. "The trial of your faith, being more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ." 1 Peter 1:7.

We cannot see faith, nor measure it by miles or gallons, nor weigh it, but it is very powerful. In Matt. 17: 20 Jesus said, "If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place: and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you."

It is impossible to please God without faith — it is a must. "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." Heb. 11:6

We cannot receive anything without faith. "Let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive anything of the Lord." James 1:6, 7. James tells us that faith without works is dead. Works alone is not enough, but the two, faith and works, go together. We do not work to become a christian, but we work because we are christians.

What is faith? We cannot see it and we cannot measure it, but we see the results of faith. Many know

the Bible answer of how faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Heb. 11: 1

Faith is more than just being a spectator of some miracle. That is only one phase or facet of faith. We like to quote the great commission given by Jesus in Mark 16: 15 - 18, and we should, it is Bible, but faith is more than preaching or quoting this important part of the Bible. Faith will cause us to practice the Bible also.

We quote Heb. 13: 8 "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever." Also a favorite scripture of many is Mark 9: 23, "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to them that believe." We say this is believing, this is faith.

We should tell about the wonderful miracles we have seen or heard and how it increased our faith, but when we get a headache, we should not grab an aspirin or some B. C. powders. Where is our faith, if we cannot trust the Lord for even a headache.

Faith is expressed in more ways than just believing in some wonderful healing or other miracle. We are saved by faith. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: It is the gift of God." Eph. 2:8

We are sanctified by faith. "To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and an inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith. Acts 26: 18

We are healed by faith. Acts 3: 16. We are filled with the Spirit by faith. We are kept by faith. An element of faith enters into every phase of our lives as Christians.

When we read Heb. 11, or the faith chapter of the Bible, we see how faith raised the dead, opened the Red Sea, caused Moses to refuse to be called the son of Pharoah's daughter, and to choose to suffer affliction with the people of God. Faith will bring self denial.

The same faith brought down the walls of Jericho, caused some to wonder in the desert, to live in dens and caves of the earth — to be shipped, imprisoned, stoned, sawn asunder, tormented, afflicted and destitute. Heb. 11: 36-37 "And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promised." Heb. 11: 39. God was testing them and he surely will test us. Faith is expressed in more ways than just believing in some wonderful healing or other miracles.

Faith is manifested in many ways. Faith will cause you to believe in miracles alright, but will cause you to believe and practice all the Bible, and to deny yourself.

Faith will cause you to preach, teach and live according to God's Word no matter who deviates from it or how successful they seem to be. We will not compromise even if it means standing alone.

Faith will separate us from the world. Faith will take us to where all the gospel is preached. Faith will cause you to attend church regularly. Faith will cause you to go to Sunday School and prayer meeting. Faith will cause you to study your Sunday School lesson, to read your Bible, to visit the sick, to pray, to support (by tithes) the ones who preach all the Bible and live a life separated from the world.

Many put their tithes into educational projects and programs. If you pledge your tithes to anything other than the gospel, you only get credit from the government. God does not honor that as tithing. Faith will lead us to support God's work, not some good promoter.

Without faith we will not be consistent in any thing spiritual. Instead of visiting those who are sick in mind and body and the destitute many will find their way to the homes of the affluent where most of the tithes are paid. They excuse themselves by saying some of the afflicted do not know when you visit them. Shame on you! God knows, and he especially gave us instructions to do it. Faith will obey.

Obedience brings faith. "Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then we have confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do these things that are pleasing in his sight." 1 John 3: 21, 22.

"Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Rom. 10: 17 This is hearing and practicing God's word. Faith is a gift of God. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." Eph. 2: 8

Many talk about faith as something that we can turn on like a faucet, but faith depends on our relationship with God, "Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith." Heb. 12: 2. Sometimes preachers talk as if faith can be turned on at any time, but our faith depends wholly on meeting God's conditions. Unsaved people can take the step of faith to be saved, but as christians, God has conditions for us to meet.

We as christians must live by faith. "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul." Heb. 10: 38, 39. "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness." Rom. 1: 18

Many have followed others into bondage and are supporting programs and projects without faith. They are like Samson was after he lost his God given power, just grinding at the mill and making sport for the Philistines by entertaining them. They enjoyed it. We see people who say they enjoy a lot of things that God isn't in.

At last his vision was gone and he was enslaved by the enemy. What did he get? Misuse of his energy, loss of his vision, loss of his freedom, and at last the loss of his life. What a tragedy!!

Paul said: "I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live, yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by faith of the Son of God." Gal. 2: 20 Our life must be a life of faith. Every phase of our life should be directed of God by faith. We used to sing the song, "Living by faith in Jesus above, trusting, confiding in his great love." Are We?

Many times faith leads us to do things because it is good for us, and not because we enjoy doing it. The joy comes when we obey, because it pleases God.



The clock of life is wound but once,
And no man has the power
To tell just when the hands will stop
At late or early hour.
To lose one's wealth is sad indeed.
To lose one's health is more.
To lose one's soul is such a loss
That no man can restore.

39 people died while you read this short poem. Every hour 5,417 go to meet their Maker. You could have been among them. Sooner or later you will be. Are you ready?



Your Community Chapel Westminster, Colorado

The Lord has been so good to our little church this year. Three of our people have been filled with the Holy Spirit and one was sanctified. Our last report of Sis. Edna Schultz is that she is doing much better since her recent surgery. The Lord has touched her body again. Praise His precious name. Sis. Ruth Laeger brought our message Sunday morning Feb. 11. His presence was greatly felt and the sermon was very stirring. She told of God's restoring of her health. We thank God, too, for seeing Bro. Ed Brenning safely through surgery. Sickness of some kind has touched almost every family in our church this year. Our pastor and his wife have had two deaths in their families and an auto accident involving their children and grandchildren. There were bad injuries but the Lord brought them through it and they are doing fine.

On Feb. 4 four of our people followed the Lord in water baptism. March 11 through 25 Bro. Jacob Regier is going to be bringing us some prophecy lessons. We are all looking forward to this.

The following prayer was found in an old newspaper. God grant us this attitude when we've been hurt.

"Merciful Father, I have been humiliated and hurt by a certain person. You know who I mean, God. You know, too, that I am struggling to keep bitterness and hate out of my heart, but it's so very difficult to find the grace to forgive. Will you help me, God? I don't want to crowd these bad feelings into the dark corners of my mind. I don't want to deny myself the fact that I was hurt. But I do want to forgive and get the hostility and anger out of my system. At this very moment perhaps someone, somewhere, is having a hard time forgiving me for something I said or did. I might have hurt that person without even knowing it. So please, God, help me to forgive now. It would be terrible to harbour ill will against someone who might not even know he has hurt me. Amen."

Bob G. Taylor, Pastor Kathy Storm, Reporter

Rockdale, Texas

The latest issue of the Apostolic Faith Report was enjoyed by all. Our prayers are with all the ones who have a part in this christian endeavor. It is always encouraging to read good reports from the churches and to read faith building gospel messages.

Plans are being made to remodel the front of the Rockdale church. Red brick will be used and a brick layer has been contacted for the job. Recently we held elections in our church and C. H. Satcher is the new Sunday School Superintendent and Robert Ressel is the new board member. Both of these men are very capable and we appreciate their work. We are praying for a revival in the near future and request your interest in this. Please remember the following in your prayers. They stand in physical need from the Lord: Mrs. R. D. Busch, Mrs. Buelah Schniebeli, and Mrs. Myrtle Dreher. Our church misses the Jasper Arnolds, who have moved to California. We hear they are doing fine there.

Rev. Van Blythe, Pastor Mrs. Jerry Hosek, Reporter

Katy, Texas

Praise the Lord, for all the blessings He has poured out upon those who love and serve Him.

We, the Katy Apostolic Faith Church, are working hard to see great things happen in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. There has been a visitation program in a near-by sub-division, cottage prayer meetings (where the Lord has healed and brought victory), and a March to Church in March theme for the month of March to boost attendance. Most of all we are praying for God to send a Holy Ghost revival in the very near future.

It has been a long time since we have had any news for the Apostolic Faith Report, but we hope to do better in the future. We enjoy the news from other churches and the good work Sis. Busch is doing.

Truly it is a privilege to serve our Lord in this day and time for surely Jesus is coming soon.

Dianna Methvin, Reporter G. K. Kerr, Pastor

Amarillo, Texas

During the month of November Rev. M. D. Methvin, assisted by Duane Metvin, conducted a revival. These services were a blessing and God's spirit dealt with individuals causing them to realize their need of the Lord.

A Watch Night Service was held in the church. This was a very successful service and those who attended were blessed. Sis. Louis Sutton and Bro. Eugene Cornell were the speakers. Several ministers and people from this area helped with the service.

We give God thanks for our regular church services, and for our pastor's faithfulness to bring the word of God to us. The truth and loving kindness of the Lord has not been concealed from us as a congregation.

> Rev. Neil Ragan, Pastor LaVonna Mitchell, Reporter

Wichita, Kansas,

We have been working here at Faith Chapel since late October. Since moving from Canyon, Texas, we have been serving as Assistant Pastor and Youth Directors. Nearly 40 youth are presently members of our group. P.S.S. (Prayer, Share and Study)) groups meet on Sunday evenings before the regular evangelistic hour, a special youth prayer meeting and youth choir rehearsal are conducted on Tuesday evenings, and numerous youth rallies, projects, and social events are included in our current program. Future plans include a Christian Charm Course for the girls, a youth revival in late March or early April, a spring retreat, and group trips to youth camps and singing school. Our new youth choir seems to be one of the most promising outreach efforts of our group. The Inspirations, a name chosen by the members, currently number about 24. We pray that each of these activities might strengthen the faith and dedication of our group.

We are glad to have some of our Bible School students back with us. Three of our five students have returned to Wichita and are a real asset to our program: Brenda French, Dona Wilson, and Diana Gorrell. Rick French has moved to Amarillo to help in that church; Karen Crouse is now working in the Las Vegas church.

Our church is also experiencing a growth both spiritually and in number. Visitors are a weekly occurrence because of the witnessing of many of our people. We thank God for those who share their faith with others. We appreciate each visitor, but especially those who remain to become a part of us in worship and in fellowship.

Pray for us as we work in this capacity. It has been a new experience for us, and already an exciting and rewarding one. May God send each of you His strength and love as you work for Him.

> Keith and Charlene Barker Asst. Pastor and Youth Directors Faith Chapel, Wichita, Kansas

Midway Country Church Logan, Oklahoma

We are glad to report victory in the Lord. Bro. Doyle has been bringing us some real inspiring messages the last several services. On Sunday night Feb. 11 Bro. and Sis. Gene Cornell were with us in service. Bro. Cornell brought a real good prophetic message. Due to the snow and icy weather our revival had to be postponed. Plans are now to begin soon after March 15. Bro. Paul Clanton of Galena, Kans. will be our Evangelist. We are praying for a real God sent revival. Our pastor has asked our entire church to read the book of John before the revival.

We are looking forward to having Bro. Ted Barker and his Bible College Singers with us the first part of March. We welcome ministers and workers of the faith to visit our services at any time.

Sis. Busch you are doing a splendid job on the paper. We really enjoy reading it. May God richly bless you as you labor for Him in this way.

> Doyle Wiles, Pastor Edith Lamunyon, Reporter

Spring Valley, California

We missed the deadline for last months report so have two months to report at this time. We are still reaping the blessings from the Youth Retreat we held during the Christmas-New Years holidays. It was a great blessing to have the Homer Allen's and their church, the Sonny Brown's and their church, and the Francis Dearing's and their church from Las Vegas to be with us in the retreat.

The Wayne Wheeler's of Lubbock, Texas, have just closed a very fine revival for us. I can say that the members of the church have been spiritually revived and blessed by Bro. Wayne's fine sermons. Bro. and Sister Wheeler are now in revival services at Bro. Homer Allen's Church.

The youth of our church and the youth of Brother Homer Allen's church combined for a Valentine Banquet on Saturday Feb. 10, and Rev. Wayne Wheeler and his wife, Kay were the guest speakers. We had a very nice time of Christian Fellowship.

We at the Spring Valley Church ask that our many friends of the Apostolic Faith Movement pray with us about the future of the Church. For the survival of the church, we must move into a population area. We are presently located about 6 miles in the country, and not much chance of the area becoming a large population area in the near future. A church without people or finances will not survive. We need the guidance of God and the support of the movement if this church is to survive.

Max Pennington, Pastor

Guymon, Oklahoma

God is blessing our church and our attendance is good in spite of the long difficult winter weather-wise. We continue our weekly men's and ladies' Prayer and Share Groups and also our Good News Club for our children.

We have had two Lay Witness Missions in nearby churches. The one at Perryton was January 19 and the one in Liberal was January 26. We are looking forward to the group from the Bible College being with us on March 11. Our young people are going on a trip to Deer Valley March 2 - 4. Recently Bro. Modrick conducted a scripture quiz on Galations on Sunday night. The ladies won 47 to 31 over the men. We are going to study in 1 Thess. now. Remember our church in your prayers.

Edwin Modrick, Pastor

Lubbock, Texas

Praise the Lord for his many blessings! We are endeavoring to start a new work for the Lord here in Lubbock, Texas. Our first service was held on January 28, 1973 and the Lord richly blessed. The services are presently being held in a temporary building although we are continuing to look for permanent facilities. We trust God to supply our needs according to His will. Please remember us in your prayers. If any of you are in the area we welcome you to drop by and visit our church.

Jimmy Long, Pastor Janie Brown, Reporter



THANK YOU NOTE FROM CONVOCATION

In addition to the cash donations, about one hundred pounds of sausage was donated by Rene Heil and the Arnett Church; some thirty-three pies and cakes were donated by the Enid, Oklahoma Church, and a box of miscellaneous food and an undetermined number of pies and cakes were given by Faith Chapel of Wichita. We want to express our thanks to all of these for their wonderful cooperation. Also, our thanks to our Church families and friends right here in the Kingman community area that helped in the kitchen and supplemented the pies and cakes by baking extras at home. We also want to express a special thanks to Bro. and Sis. Winston Barker for their help in preparing and cooking the meals. Their assistance and advice in the kitchen were invaluable to us. We also thank Keith Barker for directing the choir each evening, we thank the ministers for their willingness to fill the pulpit for each service, and last but not least, we thank all of the people who came to Convocation; whether you came from across town, across the state, or across several states.

By previous arrangement and agreement with the Convocation Committee the balance will be turned over to the Apostolic Faith Church of Kingman, Kansas to be used in a building fund for whatever the board of the church feels is necessary and appropriate. Thank you for your contributions and labors.

Carl Jelsovsky, Pastor

Big Spring, Texas

The Lord has been marvelous to us the past few weeks, and we'd like to share some of our experiences with you. Jan. 21-28th Bro. Otto Busch, assisted by Dorothy Kinser and Lois Riley, conducted a revival for us. Each night we had wonderful altar services with definite victories gained as hungry people feasted from the table of the Lord. Outstanding testimonies of healing were given and we thank God for all these things.

Feb. 10 our Youth Group had a Valentine Banquet with Bro. Mark Adair as our guest speaker. We also enjoyed other visitors that have come our way, Leon Webster and Barry Methvin were with us Feb. 11 in our services.

We ask an interest in your prayers in behalf of our work here.

Myrtle Carney, Pastor

Obituary -

MR. JOSEPH MARION TAYLOR

Joseph Marion Taylor, second son of James William and Mary Frances Taylor was born June 12, 1893 in Wilson County near Neodesha, Kansas and departed this life on January 15, 1973 at 1:30 p.m. in Cheney, Kansas at the age of 79 years, 7 months and 3 days.

His early years and school years were spent near Fall River, Kansas.

On January 24, 1917 he was united in marriage to Ethel O. Chesterman in Kingman, Kansas. To this union was born four sons and five daughters.

In 1922 they moved to Kingman County where they lived on farms near Norwich. In 1946 they moved to Norwich where he served as City Marshal and Deputy Sheriff of South East Kingman County for 16 years. He also worked as city maintenance man.

Early in life he joined the Christian Church at Fall River, Kansas. After coming to Kingman County he worshiped at the Apostolic Faith Church in Cheney.

The last 12 years of his life he spent in retirement and until his health prohibited, he enjoyed working in his vegetable and flower gardens.

He was preceded in death by two sons who died in infancy: Warren Ellis, and Joseph Jr.; four grandchildren — Larry Dwayne Taylor, Paul Gregory Bowen, Vicky Lynn, and Michael Dean Davidson; one brother — James Elmer Taylor; and a sister, Mary Anice Dudgeon.

He is survived by his wife, Ethel, of 55 years of marriage; 2 sons — Chester A. of Wichita and Bud A. of Cheney; 5 daughters — Frances Bowen of Chivington, Colo., Margaret Ireland of Wichita, Eula Mae Baumgartner of Oklahoma City, Okla., Jo Gearhart of Wichita, and Martha Jane Davidson of Catoosa, Okla.; 6 grandsons, ten grand-daughters, and 1 great-granddaughter; 2 sisters, Mary Samuels, Eureka, Kansas, Cora McCluskey of Wichita, 1 brother, Lyle Taylor of Halltown, Mo., many nieces and nephews, and a host of friends.

Services were held in the First Assembly of God Church in Cheney, Rev. Carl H. Jelsovsky officiating. Interment was at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Norwich. Kansas.

Roswell, New Mexico

Enclosed is an offering from our church for the paper. We also send our prayers that the paper will be a real help to many people in these trying times.

We are happy to have Sis Vivian Bard from Joplin visiting her daughter, Sis. Crowhurst, and family.

Dwayne Wilkerson has organized a youth meeting Sunday evenings before church. Later we plan to add a children's service during the same time. Pray with us that these services will be a special blessing to our young people and that we will be able to reach others through them.

Jerome Crowhurst, Pastor Helen Hammock, Reporter

SEARCH FOR PEACE

Many times in this age in which we are living emotional pressures of everyday life get the best of us. But to be truly at Peace in your mind there has to be a true peace in the soul as we learn from John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you, Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." When we can rest fully and wholly on the divine promises and just trust and believe, then there will be a peace that passeth all understanding. John 16:33. "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Let us first look at this from another angle. In our search for peace we have to have an honest and pure heart. If we only search for peace and help from God in time of dire need then we are searching in vain as we find this situation in Psalms 55:6 "And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! For then would I fly away, and be at rest."

Many times we ask for God's will and we want a peace of mind to know EXACTLY what it is. Then we are stubborn when we know what is right yet we will not yield and find the true peace of God. Isaiah 28:12 "To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear."

We find that there is no peace in this world with any of its cares or material riches. Many times in our search for peace we come up with a short-lived peace which more times than not leaves us with a worse state of mind than before.

In Psalms 29:11 we find that God has promised the gift of peace to all believers. "The Lord will give strength unto his people; The Lord will bless his people with peace." Not only will we have peace, but it will be great, abundant peace. Psalms 119:165 "Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them."

In Isaiah 26:3 we read "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth in thee."

To me there is nothing greater than this "perfect peace" we find when we tell Satan to get behind us and leave us alone because we have turned all our battles over to the Lord, for we find in II Chronicles 20:15 "... for the battle is not yours, but Gods."

In Isaiah 53:5 we find that our peace comes only from God and he purchased this for us nearly two thousand years ago. "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed."

Through the blood of Jesus Christ shed on Calvary we have this peace. Romans 5:1 "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Oh the glory that thrills a soul when they can feel the peace . . . like a river flowing through their soul. Isaiah 40:8 "O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea,"

Colossians 1: 20 "And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth or things in heaven." Thank God for the peace of mind no matter if we are troubled with spiritual problems or the everyday cares of life. Through Jesus' death on the cross and the veil in the Temple being rent in twain we can go to our Lord for ourselves, and find the "Perfect peace" in every small detail of life as well as the big problems. Ephesians 2:14 "For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us."

In order for us to have the peace of God that will and does keep our minds and hearts through Christ Jesus we must search for it. God knows we all need a peace in our hearts, but we are duty-bound to seek for it. By searching for peace when it is found it will be much more precious than if the Lord just handed it out. Psalms 34:14 "Depart from evil, and do good, seek peace and pursue it." Job 22:21 "Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come to thee."

Isaiah 27:5 "Or let him take hold of my strength, that he may make peace with me; and he shall make peace with me."

Now we have ended our search for peace because now we are the possessors of a true peace that can only come from God. We must LET this peace rule in our hearts as we find in Colossians 3:15 "And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful."

In Psalms 116:7 we find that true rest and therefore true peace comes only from God. "Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for the Lord hath dealt bountifully with three."

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PEACE

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and dim and solemn spaces
That called the soul up higher,
I thought the music sweet and rare
Must reach the very throne;
And yet I saw some faces there
Were troubled like my own,

And then I thought a summons
attended Called "Forward. Do not stay.

1971 A world of conflict needs you.
and Come, do your part today."

1972 I joined the forces of the right,
Terms The hosts of evil fought,
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A F B C I found the peace I sought.

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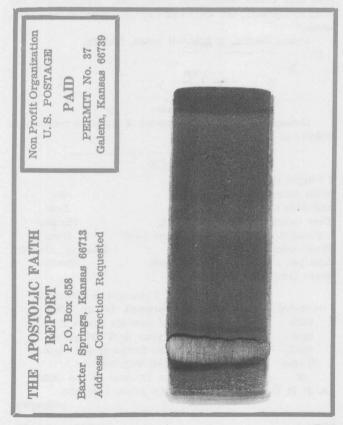
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