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## The Wages of Sin Is Death

Sin is essentially, a departure from God. — Luther.

## The Gift of GOD Is Eternal Life

The heart of the giver makes the gift dear and precious. — Luther.

## Through Jesus Christ Our Lord

ROM. 6:23

(Article by Rev. Jacob C. Regier)

## THE WAGES OF SIN

People are just the same today as they have been throughout preceding generations. We may believe that each generation becomes "smarter" than the preceding one; the present generation may look upon the preceding generation with disdain, but we can learn from the wise men of the past.

Let us take the Bible and see what the wise men of the past have said. When we do this, we actually wonder if we are as "smart" as they were back in their day. We seem to be losing some of our grip of truth that God is a God of Judgment.

We enjoy speaking of God's love, God's peace, God's benevolence, and His willingness to help us, and it is a joy to think of God's willingness to take us to a home in Heaven. However, when we examine the Scriptures we re-discover that there is a WRATH of God. We discover that a time is coming when God's wrath will be poured out upon the unbelieving, the vile, and those who have done despite to His holy name. God's wrath will be poured out before Jesus comes back to earth—during the great tribulation period spoken of in the book of the Revelation.

Turn to Luke, chapter 12, and begin reading with verse 16, "And he spake a parable unto them saying, the ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully; And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said, this will I do, I will pull down my barns and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee; then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God." The last 14 words of this quotation explain the entire parable.

There was nothing wrong with the man's prosperity . . . we love

to think of prosperity . . . in fact New Testament scriptures tell us such words as, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." III John 1:2. John in this case was as interested in the welfare of Gaius' temporal needs as he was in the spiritual . . . but we notice . . . "as your soul prospers." Let us notice the fool's attitude; he felt that if he had the temporal things then everything was fine. But everything was not fine. Notice the words of verse 20, "God said unto him, Thou fool, this night shall thy soul be required of thee." In every case of humanity . . . some day each soul will be required to answer the call. It is a wonderful thing to be ready to meet the Lord. If and when that time comes to the soul there is no worry. There is peace and calmness.

Now turn to Galatians, chapter 6, verses 7 to 9, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: For whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." This is God's word. Some people are deceived; they are fooled into believing something that is not true. But the **truth** is whatever we sow that shall we definitely reap. "For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Let the Christian take heart for in this scripture we are assured that we shall reap for good deeds if we will not become weary. Often it seems that we serve and serve with never a reward. It may seem we work and work and work without recognition. We may give, and work, and serve . . . seemingly without reward. But take heart . . . we shall reap in due season.

It is true that in most cases God's work on earth is borne on the shoulders of a faithful few. It should not be so. But if it is, take heart . . . the reward will come if we are faithful.

On the other extreme of this quotation we see: The person that does NOT work; the person that does NOT give; the person

that does NOT labour; the person that gives his own share of the load to another . . . do not be deceived, judgment is coming upon them also. We must face it.

Every true child of God loves the Great Commission. We read it in the last chapter of the book of Mark, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." He that believeth shall be saved . . . . . WONDERFUL!!! But on the other extreme of the pendulum he that believeth not shall be damned. Notice the extremes: On one side: Saved! On the other side: Condemned!

No doubt many remember their first time to witness the tense scene in a courtroom when a sentence was passed upon the accused. Guilty or not guilty! Condemned or free! Life or Death!

In modern thought men come up with ideas such as these: "We live in a free country. We can worship the way we wish. We do not have to serve God if we do not want to." We seem to get the idea that we have an alternative about serving God. If we want to serve Him, fine and good; but if we do not want to serve Him, that is fine and good, too. But we have to do with God! We are facing the Judgment! We must some day face a just and a severe God, the true Judge of the hearts of all men.

Turn to Hosea 10:12-13, "Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy: break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, til he comes and rain righteousness upon you." "Ye have plowed wickedness, ye have reaped iniquity; ye have eaten the fruit of lies: because thou didst trust in thy way . . ." Some of our reaping is done in this life, before we cross over to the other side. But that is not all. Turn to Malachi 4:1-3. Also read the preceding two verses: chapter 3:17-18 to introduce the 4th chapter, "And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day what I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as

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# The Latter Rain

By CHAS. FOX PARHAM

(Continued from May Issue)

Sister Stanley, an elderly lady, came across the room as I entered, telling me that just before I entered tongues of fire were sitting above their heads. When I beheld the evidence of the restoration of Pentecostal power, my heart was melted in gratitude to God for what my eyes had seen. For years I had suffered terrible persecutions for preaching Holiness and healing and the soon coming of the Lord. I fell to my knees behind a table unnoticed by those upon whom the power of Pentecost had fallen, to pour out my heart to God in thanksgiving. All at once they began to sing, "Jesus Lover of My Soul" in at least six different languages, carrying the different parts but with a more angelic voice than I had ever listened to in all my life. After praising God for sometime, I asked Him for the same blessing. When He distinctly made it clear to me that He raised me up and trained me to declare this mighty truth to the world, and if I was willing to stand for it, with all the persecutions, hardships, trials, slanders, and scandal, that it would entail, He would give me the blessing. And I said, "Lord, I will, if you will just give me this blessing."

Just a word: After preaching this for 26 years with all the persecutions I have been permitted to go through, misunderstanding and the treatment of false brethren, and knowing all that, that blessing would bring to me if I had the time and was back there again, I'd take the same way.

No sooner was this miraculous restoration of Pentecostal power noised abroad, when we were besieged with reporters from Topeka papers, Kansas City, St. Louis, and many other cities sent reporters who brought with them professors of languages, foreigner's Government interpreters, and they gave the work the most crucial test. One Government interpreter claimed to

have heard twenty Chinese dialects distinctly spoken in one night, but all agreed that the students of the college were speaking in the languages of the world, and with proper foreign accent and intonation. There was no violent physical manifestation. There was no chattering, jabbering, sputtering, or stuttering. Each one spoke clearly and distinctly in a foreign tongue, with earnestness, intensity and God given unction. The propriety and decency of the conduct of each member of the Bible School won the warmest comment from any visitor. Our first public appearance after others had received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit was in Kansas City, in the Academy of Music, about January the 21st. The Kansas City papers loudly announced our coming. Two columns appeared in the Kansas City Journal, with large headlines on the front page. These headlines being the largest on the front page attracted the attention of the newsboys, and they not knowing of Pentecost from a holocaust, ran wildly up and down the street carrying their papers crying, "Pentecost, Pentecost, Pentecost, read all about the Pentecost."

I have on record the sermon preached on this occasion. The first upon the Baptism of the Holy Ghost in all modern Pentecostal Apostolic Full Gospel Movements. Also on file all that the papers had to say about these things in those days. Through great trials and persecutions we conducted the Bible School in the City of Topeka itself then on in Kansas City. At which time I wrote the first book published by any Full Gospel people called, "The Voice Crying In The Wilderness," in which was fully set forth almost in full all that is now being taught in different movements throughout the world. Both from the pulpit and the press they sought to utterly destroy our place and prestige, until my wife, her sister, and myself stood alone. Hated, de-

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spised, counted as naught, for weeks never knowing where our next meal would come from, yet feeling that we must maintain the faith once for all delivered to the saints. When buildings were closed to us we preached on the street. Thus continuing the fight until the spring of 1903 when a Wesleyan lady minister who was brought into the faith when we had held a meeting in Lawrence, Kansas, in March 1901, invited us to hold a meeting in a mission she had established in Nevada, Mo. Here a mighty work was done.

During the summer months we felt led to El Dorado, Springs, Mo., where people came from all over the United States to try the virtue of spring water for healing of their bodies. We stood at the corner of the park where steps led down to the spring. People came by the hundreds to hear the message and hundreds were healed, bearing the message of God to all parts of the United States. Our home was continuously besieged with sick and suffering for prayer. One day

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# Testimonies

## HEALED OF MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

I became ill in 1957 with attacks of severe headaches followed by blindness. There were three of these attacks, each one lasting about three weeks during which time I was totally blind. After each attack my sight would return to some degree but was weaker after each attack. The doctor thought at this time that my affliction was optic neuritis. Then in May of 1961 I became ill with spasms on my left side, at which time the doctors decided I had multiple sclerosis, for which there is no known medical cure.

In August of 1961 I became violently ill and at that time the doctors gave me up to die, and told my mother to call my relatives, that I would not live. I became completely paralyzed, could not turn myself, nor feed myself, nor wait on myself in any way. Our pastors, Paul and Bonnie Clanton, were very faithful to visit me and to pray for me. Much prayer was offered in my behalf, not only here at Rockdale in our local church but hundreds of people in other places were also praying for me.

My condition remained about the same until around the middle of January of 1962 when I began to show some improvement. We knew this was definitely the Lord's doing, for there was nothing medical science could do to cure me. Within two or three weeks I was able to be up most of the time and soon was able to attend church again. Since that time I have steadily improved and am now able to lead a normal life.

At times Satan has tried to bring back symptoms of the affliction but I know that God touched and healed me and I have that assurance to stand on. To God be all the praise and glory for my miraculous healing. Since my illness was of such long duration and of such severity scores of people knew of it, and later they also knew of the miraculous recovery back to

health again. I hope and pray that my experience will bring praise and honor to my wonderful Lord.

I appreciate the prayer of all those who prayed for me.

Mrs. Betty Jane Robbins,  
1402 Murray St.,  
Rockdale, Texas.

## HEALED OF BLINDNESS

On March 10, 1957 I carpentered all day, driving nails. The next morning when I awakened I discovered that I was totally blind in my left eye. It did not hurt me nor bother me so I did nothing about it until some time later when a peculiar "blur" came into the eye, even though it was blind. I then went to an eye doctor and he told me there was a cataract in my eye and it was ready to be removed. This doctor made arrangements with a specialist in Austin and I went there for surgery. The specialist did a fine job with the operation with this exception, he left some ligaments which should have been removed, though I did not know this at the time.

My eye was fitted with a "cataract lens," since the natural lens had been removed in the operation. I made a seemingly normal recovery and everything was fine for a while. Then a terrific pain hit my eye, so severe that it would almost knock me out every time it hit me. There seemed to be nothing more that the first doctor could do for me. I became a physical wreck, extremely nervous, could not sleep, and my eye was totally blind again. I also suffered from poor circulation and other ailments.

Finally I went to another doctor and after examining my eye, he told me of the ligaments which had been left with some loose ends exposed, one of which had come into contact with the optic nerve, causing the intense pain I suffered. This doctor stated, "There is nothing to do but have another operation to remove those ligaments." But I decided I was about through with man's aid, since the first operation had turned out rather badly. So I continued to suffer and my general condition became worse.

About this time I heard of a

revival beginning in the Apostolic Faith Church in Rockdale, Texas, and though I was not a Christian at the time, I decided to see if there was something God could do for me. I went to the meeting which was conducted by Edna and Ray Michener, and when the altar call was given I went forward and knelt down. The people prayed for me but nothing happened. Then the pastor, Brother Paul Clanton asked me if I would like to be anointed with oil and prayed for again. He quoted the scriptures from James 5:14-15, "Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord and the prayer of faith shall save the sick and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him." I replied that I wanted anything they had to offer. So they anointed me with oil and prayed again. In about ten minutes I felt the healing power of God go over me, much like water being poured upon me. I was instantly healed of every pain and sickness, and I could see with that blind eye, whereas before I could not see day from night. And my sins were forgiven and I knew I was saved and a child of God. I was 77 years of age when this healing took place in November 1961.

I went back to normal work the following day and have been well ever since. I see with the once-blind eye without the aid of glasses of any kind. Since my healing I have tried at various times to wear the lens that was fitted to my eyes but seems that my eyes rebel against them, causing me to see two of the same objects, each at different heights, and I cannot wear the glasses at all. However, I don't need them since my sight is good without them. The sight in the once blind eye is now much better than the sight in the other eye.

I am giving God all the thanks and praise for this wonderful thing which He did for me. It was not due to any power of man but was wrought by the power of God.

Mr. Seth S. Shepherd,  
Rt. 1, Rockdale, Texas

## Letters to the Editor:

### CHURCH DEDICATION

May 6, 1962 marked another milestone for progress for the Apostolic Faith Movement. On that day a new Church was dedicated at Canyon, Texas.

At 3:00 p.m. a large crowd of people of over two-hundred heard Rev. Harrol Waterbury of Katy, Texas, intone, ". . . for the cause of God and salvation of souls we set aside this house and pray that the Lord will bless the work of our hands and cause His light to shine in this place. We beseech God to meet with men that assemble in this place and convict sinners of sin and encourage men and women of the faith. Let it be so that the Gospel that is preached from this pulpit will convince men that God is in this place . . ."

Rev. Robert Girouard of Pampa, Texas, invoked God's care and favor over the work and all the projects that the church might sponsor for the furtherance of the Gospel. A number of the twenty-one ministers visiting the Chapel that day had a part in making the day a "High Day in Zion."

In the morning worship hour Rev. Jacob Regier of Perryton Full Gospel Church brought an inspiring message to the ninety-two that were present. He called for the visiting ministers to meet him at the altar to ask of the Lord's help in this worthy project.

Bro. Marcus Adair wishes to thank all those that have had a part in the building. Some have helped in the labor and some have given offerings and have become a part of this project in this way. Some work remains to be done on the building but plans are to have all of this finished by September.

The building is located one block east of the West Texas State College on the south side of the street. Let us pray that at the opening of the fall term that the church will be able to reach a number of the College Youth and also their families.

Rev. Marcus L. Adair, Pastor

### AN OPEN LETTER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:  
Greetings in Jesus' Precious Name:

This is to let you know that we reached home safely. After the closing of the Bible School at Baxter Springs, Kansas, we stayed with Bro. and Sis. Schultz for a few days and came to New York on April 3. We left New York on Friday night April 6 at 9:30 by Air-India and arrived in London, England the next morning. We stayed in London for the week-end and had good services on Sunday in a church about 100 miles from London. Continuing our flight by Air-India on Monday noon and stopping at Paris, Geneva, and Cairo we reached Bombay at 5:30 and reached Secunderabad by 10:00 a.m. April 10. Praise the Lord for a safe trip. Our children and the dear ones at home, together with the members of the church and other friends welcomed us at the local air-port and we had a happy time of reunion with the dear ones.

We want to thank all our friends in the States for all the help we have received and we pray the Lord to bless you and reward you according to His riches in glory. You know how difficult it will be for us to write to you all individually but we will try to keep in touch with you as much as we can and we would like much to hear from you personally.

We are straight away entering into the work here and continuing what we have been doing. The next session of our Bible School begins on Monday June 4. Please do continue to pray for us and the work here.

You may write to us directly in the address given or you may contact us in any of the following addresses: % Rev. Donald D. Dibbens, Box 426, Follett, Texas; or % Rev. Marcus L. Adair, 2706, 4th Ave., Canyon, Texas. With Christian Love and regards,  
Yours in His Service in India,  
Abrahams.

"Philadelphia"  
Himmatnagar P. O.,  
Secunderabad — 25  
India.

## OBITUARY

### OLLIE E. MOLTON

Ollie E. Molton of 447 N. Bocher St. Wichita, Kansas, went to her reward April 27, 1962 after a long illness. Sis. Molton came into the Apostolic Faith Movement some forty years ago under the ministry of Bro. and Sis. Charles F. Parham. She was active in the work in Kansas. She pastored churches in Arlington and Cheney. She helped to establish an Apostolic Faith church in Wichita, Kansas.

Sis. Molton was born in Nicklehill, Oklahoma (Indian Territory). She left this life at the age of 69 years.

Survivors include her husband, John, one brother, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews and a host of friends.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

Rev. Bill Allen is contemplating starting a church in Denver, Colorado. He desires that all Apostolic Faith people in and around the Denver area contact him. Also if any of the Movement people have relatives or friends living in the Denver area, please contact him at the following address:

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# PASTORAL REPORTS

## WOODWARD, OKLAHOMA

Bro. and Sis. R. D. Wooster, with the help of Sis. Bobbie Bishop, conducted a good meeting here recently. There was a good spirit in the meeting and many good victories won around the altar.

Rev. George Vassar, Pastor

## MODESTO, CALIF.

I am staying here at Modesto for the summer. I will be working with the Youth Group and the Sunday School. We have a wonderful group of Youth here. Pray for the church here and if ever out this way come by for services.

Helen Arnold  
806 South Santa Cruz  
Modesto, California

## FOLLETT, TEXAS

Several visiting ministers have come by to give us a lift the past month: Rev. Ted Barker; Rev. Murphy Barnes; and the recent meeting with Jack Cornell. Bro. Dibbens has accepted the church for another year.

Donald D. Dibbens, Pastor

## PINE CREST FAITH CHURCH QUITMAN, MISS.

Bro. Teddy Barker and family and Sis Norma Watson conducted a good revival here the first two weeks of April. The preaching and the special singing was outstanding and enjoyed by all. There were several persons under conviction who failed to heed the call of God, but we are very thankful for the three who were saved. The christians were richly blessed.

The third Sunday in May the church is planning all day services with basket dinner. Everyone is invited to come.

Sis. Opal Ferry of Chicago was in this part of the country for several days with her missionary work and some evangelistic services which were enjoyed by all.

George and Mable Hintergardt  
Pastors

## ARNETT, OKLAHOMA

Rev. Paul Clanton conducted a revival in our church, from April 1st through 15th. Assisting in the revival and conducting the music portion were Edna Neff, Marva Turner, and Peggy Bard.

The Holy Spirit anointed each service and His blessings were shed abroad in our hearts. We feel our church was greatly strengthened by this revival.

Sherman and Louise Sutton

Pastors

**Sherman and Louise Sutton have resigned as pastors of the Arnett church.**

## UNION CHAPEL CHURCH, MO.

Evangelist and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon conducted a two-weeks revival in our church during the latter part of May. Attendance was good and God blessed the church congregation in a great way. Mr. and Mrs. Marvell Carman were a wonderful help in the music and singing.

Not long ago our rural church enjoyed a spiritual blessing under the ministry of Rev. Chester Burns, who held a very good revival for us. We thank God for His blessings and for these of His servants who have ministered to us and to our church.

Rev. and Mr. Onal Nunn, Pastors

## SPRING VALLEY, CALIF.

We have handed in our resignation as pastor of the church here. The Lord willing July 22nd will be our final service. Do pray for the church here that God's will may be done in all things and that God will lay the burden on the right heart to come pastor.

Rev. Edwin Waterbury, Pastor

## RALLS, TEXAS

Bro. Winston Barker conducted a two weeks meeting here beginning Easter Sunday. A wonderful anointing was present during the services. Two were saved, one received the Holy Spirit and others came to the Lord for a closer walk.

Rev. Austin Morgan, Pastor

## BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Bro. Dibbens, we just want to send a note of thanks to you and Bro. and Sis. LaMunyon, for the fine work you are doing in getting out the Report each time. God bless you is our prayer. We enjoyed a wonderful meeting with Bro. and Sis. LaMunyon during the month of April. Two were saved and some wonderful healings. For which we are thankful.

The Lord willing I will be going down to Buckhorn, Texas for a short meeting with Bro. and Sis. Scruggs. Pray for us that God will make us a wonderful blessing.

The Lord willing I will be moving from Big Spring in July. We will be moving to our home in Alvin, Texas, and will be open for revival calls. Our address after July will be: 1705 West Sealy St., Alvin, Texas.

Rev. R. D. Wooster, Pastor

## MIDWEST CITY, OKLA.

We are happy to report the progress being made at the church here. On Easter Sunday the old record of 54 was broken with a new record of 75 persons present. We were so happy to see that many hungry hearts in our church. In the past three months we have had several visitors from out-of-town churches, and we want to extend a cordial invitation to all pastors and visitors to come see us.

Thanks be unto the Lord that we can still pray and call upon Him in time of need.

Rev. and Mrs. Amos Harris,  
Pastors.

## BAYARD, NEBRASKA

Rev. and Mrs. James Hosler have taken the pastorate of the church here which was recently vacated by Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Stanberry. The church seems to be holding its own real well, and we would appreciate an interest in the prayers of Christians everywhere that our church may win souls for Christ.

Gloria Leytham, reporter.

**ALVIN, TEXAS**

We had an Old Time Holy Spirit revival start in our church on April 11th. The visiting minister was Bro. Jimmy Wallis of Liberal, Kansas.

Our building fund is progressing quite rapidly. Thanks to the Alvin people. Our Youth Directors and seven christian youths representing the Alvin church attended the first meeting of "The Youth For Christ" (which is a city wide effort).

Our daughter, Ann Lenor Cannon, was united in marriage to Parker B. Methvin April 14th. M. D. "Doc" Methvin, uncle of the groom, performed the ceremony.

House warming for the Urick family. Good luck Sissie and Fred.

Sis. Lula Parham and her sister from Baxter Springs, Kansas, were with us during the month of April. Our Alvin church needs prayer for our sick. We have had excessive absenteeism for several months.

May 6th Bro. Murphy Barnes visited our church and brought a very good message. Twenty-five years ago, Bro. Barnes was in Alvin and Bro. Claude Parham had him preach the Mother's Day service.

R. L. Cannon, Reporter  
Rev. K. Kerr, Pastor

**CROSSES, ARKANSAS**

We are glad to report that the church here is growing and enjoying the blessings of the Lord. We have some new families attending the services. Fifty-nine were in Sunday School May 20th. Your prayers for our work here are appreciated.

Rev. Roland Haney, Pastor

**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

We are planning to leave the United States the 22nd of June, will go to England. There our daughter and family will meet us. From there to her home and then to Europe as the Lord leads us. We are praying for our Youth Camps, Daily Vacation Bible Schools and Bible Schools throughout this coming year. Always glad to hear from you.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Ferry

**REVIVAL**

That the gifts and calling of God are without repentance was manifested in a recent revival at the Apostolic Faith Church in Spearman, Texas, under the direction of Sister Beulah Steffen of Hardesty, Oklahoma.

The messages and special songs that fell from her lips and came from the heart carried me back over a period of thirty or more years, when we were in revivals and special services together and we found the doctrine of the Lord precious and true as then.

After a few services Sister Beulah felt it of the Lord to ask Bro. Lealand Grimmer of Sunray, Texas, to help in the services. This he gladly did. He and his family were a blessing throughout the remainder of the meeting with their special songs. Bro. Lealand was song director and he also brought some soul stirring messages. The testimonies of many made us to know great good was done and to hear the Lord say, "You have done what you could," is all we could ask. Not a great number attended the revival and many who were invited and promised to come failed to do so thus we were disappointed but not discouraged.

Lives of Christians were revived and our hearts filled with a greater love for God and souls.

Everyone gathered at our home for a basket dinner at the noon hour the last day of the meeting May 13th. A bountiful table was spread and for this we thank the heavenly Father. Bro. Jacob Regier and family were with us for this meal.

May God bless the Grimmers in their labor of love for the Master also Sis. Steffen and her husband who seemed so willing and glad to drive from their home every evening for the service of the Lord.

Should you need a minister to take your place during your absence at anytime I feel Sis. Beulah would be a blessing to your church folk and also to sinners who might be present.

Mrs. E. A. Greever

The man who lives only for himself is engaged in a very small business.

**KINGS MILL, TEXAS**

We are having fine services. The Lord is blessing for which we do thank God. Bro. Gail Schultz was with us for Special Pre-Easter services from Wednesday over Sunday with wonderful spirit in every service. It was a blessing to the Christians with the Christians seeking God and deepening their lives and drawing closer to the Lord.

Rev. E. K. Cornell, Pastor

**SPEARMAN, TEXAS**

The Lord willing the Sherman Sutton family will be moving to Spearman about Camp Meeting time. We will be labourers together with God in the Church. Pray for us and an invitation goes out to all to visit us in the services at anytime.

Mrs. E. A. Greever, Pastor

If all who rob God were immediately locked up, many preachers would have to conduct their meetings in jail.

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Annual Business Meeting of the Apostolic Faith Bible School will be conducted August 2, 1962 (Thursday) at 1:00 p.m. The place of the Business Meeting will be at the South Texas Camp Meeting (At the permanent site between LaGrange and Giddings, Texas.)

The Business on the agenda is to vote for a member of the Bible School Board of Trustees. Otis Wade is the incumbent and will not be subject to re-election.

Each Apostolic Faith Church has one vote (to be sent in by the Church or cast by the representative) and each Apostolic Faith Minister has one vote. If you cannot be present for this meeting send your absentee vote to Olen Bachelor Box 514, Katy, Texas.

# The Children's Hour . . .

By ALBERDINE WILHITE

**F**rom all sin, oh turn away  
 -or Jesus still saves souls today.  
 -or He does protect the weak  
 If only for His help we seek.

"F" is the key word for today.

MEMORY VERSE: "Fear not; for I am with thee; be not dismayed; for I am thy God. Isaiah 41:10.

## A. Can you name

1. An Animal? \_\_\_\_\_ Judges 15:4.
2. An Insect? \_\_\_\_\_ Exod. 8:24.
3. An Herb? \_\_\_\_\_ Isa. 28:25.
4. A Stone? \_\_\_\_\_ Deut. 8:15.

## B. Bible Characters.

1. Drusilla is his wife. \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 24:24.
2. He was a governor. \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 23:26.
3. He trembled when he heard Paul's testimony for the Lord. \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 24:25.
4. Paul was also accused before \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 25:12.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ accused Paul of being mad. Acts 26:24.
6. Who said "much learning has made thee mad?" \_\_\_\_\_ Acts 24:24.
7. Adam and Eve covered themselves with \_\_\_\_\_ leaves. Gen. 3:7.
8. The parable of the \_\_\_\_\_ is found in Luke 13:6-9.

Bible Reading: Luke 12:27-32.

- C. 1. \_\_\_\_\_ not little \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ it is your \_\_\_\_\_ good  
 pleasure to give you the king-  
 dom. Luke 12:32.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ by grace are ye saved through \_\_\_\_\_; and that not of yourselves: It is the gift of God.

3. So then \_\_\_\_\_ cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

D. How many Bible characters have a name that begins with "F?" Do any of the books of the Bible begin with "F?"

## SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD

By being doers of the word? or seek ye first—to do as you please—and lose your soul? Matthew 6:33.

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by praying, or seek ye first to visit with friends?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by giving tithes and offerings, or seek ye first new clothes, and nicer homes?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by reading the Bible, or seek ye first the daily newspaper and magazines?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by working for Him in the church, or seek ye first no responsibilities?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by speaking no evil, or seek ye first to pass judgment and criticize others?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by showing yourself friendly to all, or seek ye first a clique of a few chosen ones?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by attending the services at church, or seek ye first leisurely week-ends?

Seek ye first the kingdom of

God—by condescending to men of low estate, or seek ye first—company with the wealthy, cultured, and refined?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by doing personal evangelism, or seek ye first your own comfort?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by being honest, or seek ye first gain regardless of the method?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by humbling yourself, or seek ye first to exalt yourself and your family?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by promoting peace, or seek ye first to reveal secrets, gossip, and start rumors?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by preferring others before you, or seek ye first to monopolize the high place in the church?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by being patient and long-suffering, or seek ye first to freely distribute pieces of your mind?

Seek ye first the kingdom of God—by being doers of the Word, or seek ye first to do as you please, and lose your soul?

— Herald of Holiness.

- Answers:  
 A. 1. Foxes 2. Flies 3. Fitches  
 4. Flint  
 B. 1. Felix 2. Felix 3. Felix  
 4. Festus 5. Festus 6. Festus  
 7. Fig 8. Fig Tree  
 C. 1. Fear, flock; for, father's  
 2. For, faith  
 3. Faith  
 D. Only two Felix and Festus  
 No books of the Bible begin  
 with "F."

YOUTH PAGE**Stones in the Stream . . .**

"Hold to my hand. Now step carefully and don't fall in," he cautioned me, as we crossed the narrow mountain stream and sat down on the smooth stones on the other bank. The cooling breeze from the high surrounding peaks made the mid-summer afternoon a perfect day of an enjoyable vacation.

We had crossed on the large flat stones in the shallow but swiftly falling water. The rushing of that water tumbling over the rock bed was the only sound in our ears as we rested in the bright sunshine.

"There I will cause thee to hear my words," God had told Jeremiah, as He had instructed the prophet to arise and go to the Potters house. "Here I will cause thee to hear my words," He seemed to speak again; as I observed my immediate surroundings.

The stones round about were unbelievably alike in size and color. Year after year the melting snow high in the mountains, had sent rushing water into this small stream, causing its banks to overflow and spilling out into the surrounding land.

At such times all the stones of the stream bed are washed in the cooling, cleansing water. But when the water level recedes, only those stones out in the middle of the stream have continuous contact with the water.

During times of high level spiritual experience, there are many people who rejoice in the overflow. But when things get back to a lower level, many Christians are out on the banks, so to speak, and find themselves getting only an occasional splash.

Stones have no power within themselves to progress or to change position. Some movement or force must do this for them. We as human beings are not, however, helplessly at the mercy of our environment. God has given us the ability to choose

what we will do. It is not necessary that we remain on the fringe of the Kingdom. If we choose to "come to him (Christ), to that living stone," he will plunge us into the cooling depths and give us the only real, abundant life.

Stones of all sizes, shapes, and color line the bed of a small mountain stream, and they are in many different positions — reminding me of the members of God's church. Some stones are attractive and catch the eye immediately. Some are plain and dull in appearance; yet they are important.

Here were the large stones, projecting out of the water, which we had used as stepping-stones in crossing from the opposite bank. How like these are the older, stronger Christians who have faithfully held us up as we cautiously and sometimes fearfully have looked about us for the next steppingstone in our young lives.

Along the edge of the stream are stones of all sizes which hold the little stream on its course, directing it past obstacles and around bends. God has placed some Christians in his church who are capable of guiding us when the path is uneven—when we face opposition.

Under the water are stones, worn smooth with the wear of many years of service, which make a firm and steady foundation for the stream. The unswerving faith of those whose lives have lost the rough edges through the grueling experiences of life and the pressure of the years gives us strength in an unobtrusive and humble manner.

Some stones have never been completely submerged; in them many flaws can yet be detected. In some cases it takes a great many small stones to do the same job which one large stone is doing in another place.

Oh, the lessons taught, the sermons given from the stones of the lovely mountain stream. I bowed my head, my heart lifted to God in silent, earnest prayer, "Oh Rock of Ages, who has founded this earth upon the seas and established it upon the floods: who cutteth out the rivers among the rocks; and placed the

sun in it's orbit. Make me a lively stone, fitted and placed into the building of thy kingdom. May I be strong and help to bear the burdens of the weak. Plunge me into the depths of the cleansing flow, and grant my desire for continuous contact with the Living Water. Amen."

**WEST TEXAS AND EASTERN NEW MEXICO YOUTH RALLY**

The Rally met in the Church of Ralls, Texas, May 4, 1962 at 8:00 p.m. There were special songs from Snyder, and Ralls. The attendance was 52. Ralls won the banner.

Rev. Winston Barker, who was in a revival at Ralls, brought the message. It was a wonderful sermon. Following the message we had a wonderful season of prayer.

The next rally will be June 1, 1962 at 7:30 p.m. in the Snyder City Park. It is announced as a funspiration service. Everyone is cordially invited

Ellen Boyd. Reporter

**TRI-STATE YOUTH RALLY**

The Tri-State Youth Rally was held at Granby, Missouri in April. We had a good attendance and several special numbers from the 8 churches of the district. Bro. Onal Nunn, the speaker of the evening, brought an inspiring message. There was a very good altar service where the Spirit of the Lord was felt. In the absence of the secretary, Peggy Bard, the assistant secretary, Roberta Sluder, filled in.

**STUMP-SUMMERFORD**

June 2 is the wedding date set by Miss Diana Dale Stump and her fiance, Truman A. Summerford. They will exchange vows at 7:00 p.m. in the Hardesty Mission Church with Rev. Jerry McClenagan (Brother-in-law of the groom) officiating.

Miss Stump is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buford Stump; Hardesty, Oklahoma, and her fiance is the son of Mrs. Andy Willis; Ralls, Texas.

Miss Stump is a senior at the Hardesty High School and Mr. Summerford has employment at Ralls, Texas.

## The Latter Rain

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Mrs. Ed Arthur of Galena, Kansas, who had heard the message on the street and who had been almost blind for years, came to the house for prayer, as she was returning to her rooms, being led, suddenly her eyes were healed and the glorious light of day broke in upon her. On returning to her home in Galena, Kansas, her healing was noised abroad, a friend of hers, Mrs. Hinckley, who had been given up by the physicians who said she had but one chance in a hundred, came to El Dorado Springs, and she was healed of a cancerous tumor and deafness in one ear of 42 years standing. With this came an invitation to Galena, Kansas, where the revival was opened in a tent. Here the blind, lame and deaf and all manner of diseased were marvelously healed. Great numbers were saved.

With cold weather approaching in the fall of 1903, the Grand Leader building, an immense double store room, was secured. Here nightly for three months people were saved by the hundreds, healed of every known disease, coming hundreds of miles to receive the ministry of healing. Perhaps 500 were sanctified and at least 250 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. The Joplin Herald, The Cincinnati Inquirer, The Philadelphia Ledger in writing up this meeting declared it to be the greatest in power and miracles since the days of the Apostles. Thousands attended the Watch Night meeting and 600 remained until after sunrise to return to their homes. Spontaneously, meetings on these lines sprang up in all the mining camps around about. And as the need demanded, preachers like mushrooms developed over night and went out to fill the pulpits in these different meetings. This meeting was followed by a great meeting in the City of Baxter Springs, Kansas, where I located and have lived nearly ever since. Having always been shown the greatest respect and consideration by my fellow townsmen and where for 22 years they have met

annually to celebrate my birthday in numbers ranging from one to two thousand, until it has become a National affair.

Meetings were then held at Melrose, a small village, 12 miles west of Baxter Springs, Kansas, and as a result, the first Apostolic, Pentecostal or Full Gospel Chapel, of all modern movements, was erected at the cross roads of Keelville, 10 miles west of Baxter Springs, Kansas. After a tremendous meeting with thousands in attendance, held in Joplin, Mo., at which so many people were saved and healed, so that from the ending of the years 1903 and 1904 thousands of people from Carthage, Mo., through southeastern Kansas to Miami, Oklahoma, were believers in the power of the "Faith once delivered to the Saints."

My physical strength gave way under the stress of labors and some of the people from that section of the country having moved to Texas, I sought rest in the spring of 1904, with my friends at Orchard, Texas. But in three days after I arrived there a great revival broke out and I was instantly strengthened for the campaign. So many were healed and so many saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit that there was scarcely one left to plead the cause of the wicked one. Returning again to the work in Kansas and Missouri we held several meetings, culminating in the hard fought battle at Columbus, Kansas, at the close of which a company of 18 workers accompanied me back to the work in Texas. Stopping briefly at Orchard, Texas, in the summer of 1904, where we were joined with 6 other helpers and all of us invaded Houston, Texas. Without money, without taking collections, trusting only in God, we secured Bryan Hall, then one of the largest in the city, threw out our street workers, house to house visitors, until a mighty sweeping revival swept the city and towns about. Blind, deaf, lame, sick, hunchbacks and even those who had begun to mortify in death were healed. The Sanctifying power of God as well as Pentecostal power swept the meeting. I have copies of the Houston Post and Chronicle of

those days. Nothing like it had ever been heard tell of.

From this meeting went out workers to Alvin, Angelton, Brazoria, Needville, East Bernard, Wallis, Brookshire, Katy, Humble, and Crosby and many other places. Everywhere swept the power of God. Thousands became believers in the Full Gospel or Apostolic Faith as it was then called. Returning with most of my workers to northern fields again I later enlisted another company in the summer of 1905, with my new workers I again invaded the southland. It was reckoned in the summer of 1905 that 25,000 people had accepted the light of the Full Gospel. After visiting the different missions in south Texas, we opened a campaign in Caladonia Hall, Houston, Texas. The street work and the slum work won the admiration of the citizens of Houston.

W. F. Corothers, a Holiness preacher, who had accepted the faith the year before, had gathered a large assembly in Brunner, a suburb of Houston. Following this revival we opened a Bible School for the winter, which was crowded with students. Into this school came Bro. Seymour, the colored man who later opened the work in Los Angeles. He had had charge of a small Holiness church in the suburbs. Taking all the truths and teachings that we had held from the beginning. And later both in his preaching and in the articles that he wrote for his paper, he both preached and wrote word for word the things he had there learned. Early in the spring I made up the carfare and sent him as the first advocate of the Apostolic Faith to Los Angeles, California, where on Bonnie Bare Street with a company of white and colored, Pentecost first fell in California, moving from there to Azusa Street where one of the most tremendous religious upheavels of modern times occurred. But which later became tremendously freighted with wildfire and fanaticism. And yet through the printing of the paper called the Apostolic Faith and the news that went out, Pentecost was soon known through the world.

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**THE WAGES OF SIN**

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a man spareth his own son that serveth him." (That is wonderful) "Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth Him not. For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and that day cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch." That is God's word of condemnation!

In Revelation 20:10 we read, "And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever." Jesus in speaking of the judgment compared the occasion as a shepherd dividing the goats from the sheep. Those on the right went into eternal life, but those on the left went into everlasting punishment. The wicked were condemned to death in the lake of fire that was prepared for the devil and his angels. (Matt. 25: 41). Bible scholars believe that God never intended for the human family to be destroyed. Hell is prepared for the devil and his

angels. But when man listened to Satan's temptation and followed the devil's way, he put himself into the devil's doom. Verses 14 and 15 of the same chapter, "And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."

In Psalms 1:4-6, "The ungodly are not so, but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish."

The Lord does not desire one soul to perish; God wants all to be saved. His desire for man is expressed in Isaiah 55:6, "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near." Between now and the Judgment . . . between now and the perdition of ungodly men . . . God is calling, God is saying, 'Let the wicked forsake his ways, (which is real repentance) and the unrighteous man his thoughts: (conversion changes a man's thoughts and plans) and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Lem Tice; Davie McLeod (son of Bro and Sis. Gail McLeod) he is in John's Sealy Hospital in Galveston. Bro. Gail McLeod is trying to find work near Galveston. Let us pray in his behalf.

**MARRIAGE**

Miss Ann Lenor Cannon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leonard Cannon of La Marque and Parker Burrett Methvin of Center Point were united in holy matrimony April 14, 1962 at Paul's Union Church in La-Marque.

The Rev. M. D. Methvin, uncle of the bridegroom, officiated.

Mrs. Raymond Barker of Katy sang "The Lord's Prayer," accompanied by Mrs. Jessie Tucker at the piano and Mrs. Kenneth Doty of Alvin was organist.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We've got a brand new Buckaroo we'd like to introduce to you: Warren Duane, weight 5 pounds 13 ounces arrived April 21, 2:10 p.m.; Parents, Rev. and Mrs. Roland Haney.

Rev. and Mrs. Roland Haney, of Combs, Arkansas, are the proud parents of a baby boy. He arrived April 21, 1962, and is named Warren Duane. Brother Marty, 2 years old, and the parents welcome this newcomer to the Haney home.

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