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..And there came a voice from heaven saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Mark 1:11



The great mystery of God has been revealed to us in these last days. The prophets, Moses, and the great kings would have loved to look into this mystery, but were not able.

Paul writes of this great mystery in the third chapter of Ephesians. The sixth verse tells us "that the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ by the gospel." This Christ came in the flesh, died on the cross, shed his blood for all the world; Not for just the Jew, but for both Jew and Gentile, that we all might be redeemed, and really know Jesus as a personal Saviour.

This great mystery is so open to us. It thrills us to know that the middle wall of partition has been broken down, and there is no longer two people, but now through Christ, Jew and Gentile are one.

Paul says "that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ." Yes, through God's great love to us, we gentiles can become the very sons of God. Through Christ we can be in the Church. We can be wholly sanctified, spirit, soul and body, and be a holy vessel set apart for the use of God. The church, which is the body of Christ, is ever tender to hear the voice of God, and walk in His Word and Will.

Ephesians 3:19 "And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fullness of God." This great love of Christ in our lives brings us into the fullness of God. The Church has no excuse to be empty and weak. Our lives should be victorious, and conquerers over the devil and the world.

Yes, it is wonderful that we are made overcomers through Jesus Christ Our Lord! No longer are we searching to understand the mystery of God. But we are partakers of the unsearchable riches of Christ in God. Praise His holy name!

M.D. Methvin  
Superintendent of AFBC

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### God So Loved!

Ancient Green poetry tells of a warrior, the hero of Troy, dressed in all his military armor, stretching out his arms to embrace his little son before going into battle. His child was frightened as he looked at the helmet and full military dress, and instead of falling into his father's arms he screamed in terror. However, under all the battle array was hidden a heart of fatherly love. The warrior threw off his armor, gathered his little boy in his arms, and held him tightly against his chest where he could hear the throbbing of his father's heart, as if saying, "I love you, I love you."

That's how God revealed Himself at Bethlehem. There He does not instill fear, but attracts with His love.

*Pulpit Helps*

### CAROL OF THE CENTURIES

by John Carter

Richard the Lion-hearted was a beloved king in British history who spent most of his time vainly attempting to recover Jerusalem from Saladin, the sultan of Egypt.

When the crusade was abandoned, King Richard was shipwrecked on his return home and imprisoned in Austria. He exact whereabouts was unknown.

According to legend, the king's favorite minstrel traveled near and far in search of his master. Everywhere he sang the king's favorite song, knowing that if the king heard it he would respond.

At length the minstrel came to the castle where the king was imprisoned, sang his song, and was rewarded to hear his king take up the melody from within the castle walls.

So it was with the song of the angels. The strains of hope and peace came to a world imprisoned by the adversary of mankind. That song proclaimed salvation and deliverance through the birth of Christ.

For 20 centuries the song has continued to penetrate the dungeons of dark despair, bringing hope to wretched captives, liberating the prisoners of sin.

And in every clime, wherever it is sung, the redeemed of the Lord take up the glad refrain. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

### THE SAVING LAMB!

G.B.F. Hallock

On a little church in Germany stands a stone lamb which has an interesting history. When some workmen were engaged on the roof of the building, one of them fell to the ground. His companions hastened down expecting to find him killed. They were amazed, however, to see him unhurt. A lamb had been grazing just where he struck the ground and he had fallen upon it. The little creature was crushed to death, while the man himself escaped injury. He was so grateful for this wonderful deliverance that he had an image of the lamb carved in stone and placed on the building as a memorial. The lamb saved his life by dying in his place.

There is a great truth in this parable. We do need to catch a new vision of our REDEMPTION. We who are Christian have been delivered by a LAMB.

A.F. Report

# "Pray Ye"

By Ron Noble

While realizing the necessity of something to be done, let us now become contented with intentions. Knowing the Full Gospel gains little if not applied. Praise the Lord for the faithful who pray, seeking to be filled with the knowledge of His Word and Will. I pray that God will richly bless the reader and writer as we consider:

Verse nine of chapter six of Matthew. "After this manner therefore PRAY YE.." We have already discussed the manner before, v. 5-8, and now are we to learn more exactly of the following verses. "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;" (Eph. 5:1) and pray ye." He wants no one else to pray in our place; not any earthly priest or intercessor is any longer essential to offer up for the sins of the people, rather personally speaking directly to Him. "But I never do have the time to pray", satan lies to the heart. Ever increasing are the activities of society to hinder people from having time to spend with God. How many people have time for television, but not for God? How many people have time for the almost endless sporting events, but not for God? And so it goes.

These things and others can become vices, gripping the attention and attitude. Work and entertainment has it's place, but it's certainly not before the Lord, and if they are, well, it would be to think upon!

When should prayer be? This is a question I would like to ask and I feel that we can find the answer from God. The Psalmist states plainly - 55:17 - "Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry, aloud; and he shall hear my voice." Daniel exemplified this in his three prayers daily. Isn't it ironic, yet shameful, when some Christians will be so careful to feed their physical body three times a day, but the spiritually may only get fed once (if at all and if so, then shortly)? A New Covenant writer exceeds that in stating "Pray without ceasing." I Thess. 5:17.

Another question: How are we to pray (including the rest of this study)? Luke 18:1 - "...men ought always to pray, and not to faint;" Fainting, rather than fighting, is the show of small strength. Pro. 10:24. Prayer without fainting is damaging to the adversary; far better than letting the adversity damage you. Another verse of explanation is Phil. 4:6. Praying without worrying is being careful for nothing, and take no thought towards those things that would distract you, as the devil wants. Now, perhaps the most important answer to the question is Mark 11:24. When asking whatever we desire, after delighting ourselves in Him, pray with faith, believing in God. Prayer, to avail much, must be by the righteous, fervently prayed.

There is more within the Book. Where are we to pray? Am I going to declare that people have to be in a certain place to pray? Yes, spiritually so. First of all, 'Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.' John 16:23. Have you ever heard a prayer ended as 'In

Jesus' name,?' It is by Him only do we have access into the grace, so why not pray in Jesus' Name?

Finally, some may ask of why even pray at all. Psa. 17:6 explains in part. "I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God;..." First, believers can pray to be heard, not ignored or ridiculed, but know that His ear is not deaf that He cannot hear. It is joy unspeakable, unexpressable glory, to know that God hears always and is willing to answer. As will all reasons for praying, these next verses are very important. I Peter 1:7 - "But the end of all things is at hand (!): be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer." The end of all things: life as we know it, sin and death will be done away with; all of these things will give way to Him as the end draws nigh to us! The Beginning is also the Ending, the Alpha is also the Omega! More about Jesus we will know, if so we desire. Please, if you would, continue with me a short way further to;

"Our Father" - the Father of us all - I Cor. 8:6. 'The Fatherhood of God' was the title for a recent sermon, yet the message is ages old. By receiving Jesus Christ, the wayward child is given the right to become a son of God. Whosoever shall call upon His name shall be saved, becoming an heir of all spiritual blessings and eternal life. The invitation is limitless, offering to all who will come to the knowledge of the Truth the opportunity to reign with God. He is not some private God, not a far-off Deity; rather He is OUR FATHER. Not only does the children become inheritors of all that God has to give, but also a joint-heir with Jesus Christ, the First begotten Son of God! He is the One that became sin for us, died and was buried for us, and rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, all for all who believe in their heart that God has raised Him from the dead. He now lives again that we might know His Father as OUR FATHER. Praise the mighty name of the Lord. As a divine Father, He knows how to give good gifts, for every good and perfect gift is from Him (no matter how it may seem at the moment). Would you examine Heb. 12:5-11 with me? "My son, (the father's action towards the child) despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:" Why? The Lord Loves, yet love doesn't condone - it corrects. If you will endure discipline, rejoice in the Lord, for He cares enough about you to not allow you to proceed in disobedience without doing something about it. But if there is no chastisement, no discipline for misconduct, then is the time to worry. An illegitimate or spurious son (unlawful, contrary to what should be) is described as a bastard that is no longer tried to be dealt with. Reason: consistent rebellion and an unheeding heart.

It is just as important for parents to discipline their children as it is for their children to accept it. Homes that don't believe in correcting a child will experience the result of their failure to the admonition in Pro. 23:13,14.

As the fleshly fathers administered 'the rod' and received reverence for the same, should not we, as Christians, much more be subject unto the Father of Life and live? God's wrath mixed with mercy is for one end: that we might be made partakers of His holiness. Every

good and perfect gift is for our profit, even if it does not seem beneficial at the moment. Remember, afterwards!

Now observe John 17:1 "These words spoke Jesus...father, glorify thy son that thy son also may glorify thee (the Son's action toward the Father). What did Jesus say is the Kingdom to be composed of in character? Was it not Jesus that said that anybody that did not receive the Kingdom as a little child shall not enter. Lk. 18:16,17. It was Christ Himself that illustrated this issue when He asked God to glorify Him. Jesus only asked this for one purpose (the same purpose we must have) and that was to glorify Him in return, the Father. How near child-likeness are we today?

Having established to Whom we are to pray, notice where He dwells. In Heaven our Father dwells and we upon earth, so let us be not rash with our words. Ecc. 5:2. Realizing where He is ought to produce a humbling affect, in not only knowing that He is in His Holy Habitation, but also knowing where we are. What is man--this mere, insignificant creature--that God takes account of Him? Man was and still is created for His pleasure! That is what man is; the Creator's creation, and a new creature, at that, in Christ Jesus! Since David said, II Chron. 6:18, that the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him, it would seem that he knew the servant is not greater than his lord, neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. Jn 13:16. Paul said, I Pt. 1:17, "and if ye call on the Father...pass the time of your sojourning (as strangers, having a home near!) here in fear. People need to be afraid for not having the fear of the Lord.

Hallowed (to make holy, to exalt) be thy name. The first thing to do when praying is to address the Father in praise, exalting Him as the Holy One. Psa. 111:9 "Holy and reverend is His name." Jesus even told a young man once, "Why callest thou me good? None is good, save one, that is, God." Lk. 18:18. To know that God is holy, of course, tells how He is like, and how we are to be. A teacher asked his students one time, "What is God like?" The answer: God is like what He does. His character is revealed by people's needs! Praise Him as He is not some promiser of false hopes, but He is whatever you need in your life! What do you need? Do you need strength? He is El Shaddai, God Almighty. Do you need deliverance from spiritual or physical problems? He is Eliyphel-God of deliverance. What about peace? He is just that. Jehoval Shalom--the Lord our Peace. Have you ever sung or heard the song, "Hallelujah, Praise ye the Lord"? Do you know what Hallelujah means? It means Praise ye JAH (the Lord)! So actually the song is 'Praise ye the Lord, Praise ye the Lord'.

Why even praise the Lord? First, He deserves it for His wondrous works among man. Does not the Scriptures say that we shall have not other gods before Him (or after Him, for that matter)? In fact, the Psalmist said, "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord." Psa. 150:6. Everything under the earth, on, above that breathes (for this breath is from God) lift up His Name. All creation obeys God and isn't willful, cheerful service to our God

really the praise? It is a shame that His most complete, complex, and yet simple creation, MANKIND, does not always obey Him as do His other creations. But we can, if we will try!

#### THE IMPORTANCE OF ONE....

A young man, walking along the beach at dawn, noticed an old man ahead of him picking up starfish and flinging them into the sea. Catching up with the man, the youth asked what he was doing. The answer was that the stranded starfish would die if left until the morning sun.

"But the beach goes on for miles, and there are millions of starfish," countered the young man. "How can your effort make any difference?"

The old man looked at the starfish in his hand and then threw it to safety in the waves. "It makes a difference to this one," he said.

...Hugh Duncan

## Over 40 Years

During October 1931 a revival, conducted by Johnny and Viola Medrick was started at Capital View, known as Pigeon Roost, west of Elmwood Post Office. The weather caused delays so the revival went on into January 1932.

To please my parents, that operated the Clarke's Store, Booker, TX and my sister Pearl and husband Jess Jacobs. We took my grandmother Anna Clarke to hear Bro. Johnny, that one time pitching wheat to my father's thrashing machine. I contended that others in my family could take grandmother but it seemed to fall our lot to take her.

My high school sweetheart of three years and I were married at Meade, KS December 25, 1930. After Olive finished her high school, we lived in Booker and were employed at Clarke's Store.

During my high school I helped unload Ford cars, trucks and combines. Brother Ben Barker was manager and several times talked to me about serving the Lord. I well remember as he and family were leaving to go into full time gospel work. I told him I did not understand going full time. He told me, quote "Sometime God will call you, then you will understand."

We took grandmother several times, then one night, I do not know why, "God knew," I went alone. It was a blowing, drifting snowing night. When the altar call was given I stormed out of the church and started driving down the road with a rebellious spirit that, I will never darken a church door again, when a voice spoke real plain to me; turn around here, do not go any farther. I remember the turnaround, I was careful not to get into a snow drift. I well remember the long walk from the door to the altar. I can also remember the time it took to repent of my sin and ask God to sanctify me and my decision to answer the call of

the Lord on my life. About forty years later Brother Vasser, Woodward Pastor, told some at Laverne Camp Meeting about how long it took that "old boy" to make the surrender and the answer to the call of God.

In February 1932, brother Gail Schultz and Gospel Party, Sister Pearl, Charlie and Mariolyne Menke, three Sutton brothers, Francis, Darrel and Sherman, came to Booker for revival. Page fifty two in Sister Menke's Life Story tells about Jake Pletcher being sanctified, receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and called to preach. Also Harlan Clarke, on third night of praying at two a.m. receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

As we entered the ministry we were blessed to work with Brother and Sister Modrick in revivals in Knowles, OK and Cheney, KS that involved about ten weeks.

My first revival assisted by Brother Houston Nease and Mother Ragan piano player.

On a Sunday afternoon at the closing of a two weeks revival, James Jacobs, brother to our brother-in-law Jess Jacobs succumbed to a heart attack. Memorial Service was at the Round Top Community Church and burial in the Sophia Cemetery, my first funeral to be the officiating minister, Memorial Day 1932.

Our first of two sons Marvin Gail was born in Beaver August 26, 1932. Soon after his birth we were invited to pastor the Booker Full Gospel Church for several months as they were waiting for Brother Percy Campbell to be their pastor. We were pastoring there at the time of my father's death, December 27, 1932. When Brother Campbell arrived we returned to helping in revivals with gospel parties, namely Cornells, Yeakels, with workers Pauline Mansfield, Shackelford sisters, Edna Mae Long Schultz. We were in revival with brother and Sister Hintergardt, Brother and Sister Menke and Brother H.L. Watkins, in Meade, Kingman, Mt. Hope and Cheney, KS, Gate, OK.

Our first camp meeting was 1933 at Brother Robert Parham's in Baxter Springs. I played trumpet in the twenty piece orchestra. Our next camp meeting was the Barker Brothers Clear Creek, where we butchered ten beefs and six hogs to help with feeding the near four hundred camped on the grounds. During 1935 we were in camp meetings at Roswell, New Mexico, we helped camp cooks with the beef stored in ice house and played trumpet in Brother Coberley's orchestra. Then we went to Cheney, KS to assist brother H.L. Watkins in camp meeting. We have memory of the goat Brother Coberley bought from a tourist in the park and all remembered the meat flavor of the twenty-five cent goat.

We operated the Hibbs Corner Store and Oklahoma Port of Entry from September 1935 until May 1936, as we were expecting our second son. We named Alan LeRoy born February 13. We pastored the Capital View Church while we were at Hibbs Corner and was assisted by Allen Broyles. We appreciated his help in the church and operating the Port of Entry and store while we were in Beaver for the birth of our son.

Mr. Hibbs asked us to return the business to him by May 1st. During the time we were transferring the business

and moving, we lost our car in a flood on Clear Creek. The corner blacksmith took the car to make some engine repair when it was lost in high water.

With two boys, no car, we were waiting on an answer from the Lord as to our next move. We had asked Brother Cornell to take our place at Capital View, which he did.

We were living with Olive's father in Beaver when asked by Harold Groendyke to help truck a combine to southcentral Kansas. I knew Harold, as he was bookkeeper at Ford Motor Co., Booke, when Brother Ben Barker was manager.

My next fifteen years was spent, as many of us are victim of circumstance, in the trucking business and my mission as a chaplain to men in the oilfields, refineries, freight dock and truck drivers. We saw Groendyke Transport grow from six units to several hundred, then was employed by Navajo Freight Line for nineteen years. I was blessed to see men from California, Colorado, Missouri, as well as friends around Amarillo, find the Lord in Salvation.

In 1972, after 36 years of turning the wheels, I was eligible to receive my union pension and S.S., so I did what I had planned to do in 1932. I attended Bible College, which I enjoyed very much. Worked in the Amarillo Church. Ten years later in 1982, I was ordained a minister of the Apostolic Faith Bible College.

I have enjoyed the fill-in times as pastor and being able to help with maintenance work. I officiated at the weddings of two granddaughters and a grand niece.

We will spend Christmas Day celebrating our 59th Wedding Anniversary. We enjoy our six grand children, four great grand children. The great grandson Michael Kash Clarke gave us a four all male Clarke generation. The only one in our family.

We give thanks to God for His many blessings to Harlan, Olive and family of two sons, six grands: four girls, two boys, and four great grands: three girls, one boy.

Harlan R. Clarke

#### POWER TO SHINE

*"Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father" (Mt. 13:43).*

A man once rigged up an electric battery to ring his front doorbell. Then he thought he would run a wire to his bedroom and use the power from the battery for a light. After failing, he called in an electrician who smiled and said, "Don't you know that it takes more power to shine than to make a noise?"

The same thing is true in our Christian lives. It does not take a lot of power to talk a good religion. We can say we love Jesus, we can tell our friends that we are a Christian, but to really live what we say is a lot harder. It takes more power to shine! And the only way that we will have the power is to be "hooked up" to Jesus Christ through prayer, Bible study, faithful attendance and fellowship with other Christians. What about you? What is your "current" status? Is your light shining forth as the sun? Draw closer to God's Son and you will have the power to shine!

The Epistle



## News Notes

### PAMPA, TEXAS

#### Greetings to all from Pampa Chapel.

It has been sometime since we have put any news in the Report. We are happy to report that all is well and God is blessing in all of our services. Bro. Howard and Sis. Yvonna have been here a year and three months. We have so enjoyed the Bible Lessons and the sermons that he has given us. They are filled with hope, encouragement, and a better way of living. We have especially enjoyed the Wednesday night lessons on Waiting on God. In this time of rush living the lessons have been a great help in our daily work.

Bro. and Sis. Edwin Waterbury held a week's Revival and it was a wonderful time of hearing the blessed truths of the Bible. Then the next Saturday night we enjoyed having the Bible School Choir with us. When you kneel to pray, pray for our church. Our pastor is inviting and helping people so we are expecting great things from the hand of God.

Howard Whiteley, Pastor  
Anabel Simmons, Reporter

### PINE HILL, ALABAMA

On September 17, 1989, Pine Hill Chapel celebrated its' annual Homecoming Service. This year was extra special because it was the 25th since the first services were held in its' present building!! Bro. Jim Arnall from Ashland, Alabama (who also was the pastor 25 years ago) came and brought a message on Exodus 3 - "Abraham's Call."

After the morning worship service a wonderful meal was shared among the people. An afternoon singing featuring a local gospel group, *The Centurions*, finished off the celebration.

Keep Pine Hill Chapel in your daily prayers as we .... "Press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Phil. 3:14

Richard Morris, Pastor  
Kathy Huckabee, Reporter

### SNYDER, TEXAS

Our family moved to Snyder in July. We are truly enjoying our new church and our new community. The Lord has abundantly blessed us with His presence in our services anointing with the singing and the preaching.

Brother Wayne Wheeler, Bentonville, AR, preached revival services for us the last week of September. It was a

wonderful time of refreshing and renewal of our vision to reach the lost. "Let us remember to pray for one another and let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." Galatians 6:9.

Lee Nelson, Pastor  
Shirley Nelson, Reporter

### MIDWAY, OKLAHOMA

We at the Midway Church are enjoying the many blessings from our Heavenly Father. Just before school started we had a nice Kid's Crusade with Bro. & Sis. Jack Cornell as the directors. We had 35 children attend.

The month of October our pastors, Bro. & Sis. Ragan held revivals in Amarillo, TX; Joplin, MO; and Ashland, ALA. We were ministered to by Bro. Jacob Regeir and Bro. Steve Arnall while they were away.

October 23 we enjoyed the Apostolic Faith Bible College choir and getting acquainted with the choir members.

November 5 we had revival with Bro. Roland Busch as the evangelist.

Bro. Galen Mills and Sis. Eva Howard have been missed from our congregation due to illness. Our prayers are for their complete recovery.

We are happy when we receive the Report and read of the activities of our churches.

Neil Ragan, Pastor

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"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt. 6:33.

Dear Brethren,

I am enclosing a picture of the Bible School in Tijuana. We have twenty-four students and six teachers. We have students from several different states in Mexico and Puerto Rico. I was talking to the Brother from Puerto Rico, and he was surprised to learn that I have been near his hometown in Puerto Rico.

We have been helping to fix up the church in the town of Juan Jose Rios, Mexico, about nine hundred miles from here: the roof and other repairs. The pastor attended our Bible School two years ago.

Our best Bible School student last year was Chuey. Our best student the year before was Irma. They are about the same age, in their mid-twenties. They were married the first of October by civil ceremony, which is according to Mexican law. They have announced a church wedding the 25th of November. They will not live together until after the church wedding, which is the custom of many Mexican Christians.

In Christian Love,  
Sonny and Barbara Brown  
and Family



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**GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY**

**NELSON**

Karl and Trisha Nelson of Bagdad, AZ have been blessed with a new daughter to love, Ashley Renee. She was born Oct. 9, 1989 weighing 7 lbs. 6 oz. and was 21 in. long. Her parents are Jr. High Youth Pastors at Hilltop Community Church in Bagdad, AZ. and Rex and Helen Black of Granby, MO.

**BRENING**

Rev. & Mrs. Ron Brening, pastors of the Apostolic Faith Church, Prosperity, MO, announce the birth of their daughter Leah Nicole, on Oct. 10, 1989. She weighed 7 lbs. and was 19 1/2 in. long.

Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Bryant Mathis, Hempstead, Texas, Mrs. R. Wooster, Magnolia, Texas and Mr. & Mrs. Ed Brening of Aurora, CO.

**WATERS**

Kenneth and Arla Waters, Canyon, TX, announce the birth of their son Corben Shane Waters on Oct. 13, 1989. He weighed 8 lbs. 4 1/2 oz. and was 19 3/4 in. long.

Grandparents are Don & Carolyn Waters, Hereford, TX and Walker & Edna Freeman, Follett, TX. Greatgrandparents are Mr. & Mrs. D.F. Neff, Vanderpool, TX, Anna B. Waters, Amarillo, TX and Clara Briscoe of Denton, TX.

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Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Elston, Elmwood, Oklahoma, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception Sunday, January 7, 1990 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Victory Community Building two miles south of the Midway Church, Logan, Oklahoma.

Hosting the event were their children, Betty and Frank Klotz and Evelyn and Denny Nelson; their grandchildren, Frana Klotz, Danna and Kevin Nelson and Darren Nelson and their great grandson, Ryan Nelson.

Leonard and Frances were married January 10, 1940 in Woodward, Oklahoma. They have attended the Midway Country Church for over 40 years.



Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Elston

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## ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

We have some exciting plans for the upcoming year and we wanted to begin informing you of some of the activities of the Alumni program. First of all, I want to report who your District Representatives will be in your area. I appreciate each of these who have agreed to serve and I hope you will help them in any way that you can.

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The representatives of each district have or soon will be planning for a banquet in your area, so begin making plans to attend if you can.

We would like to announce that this year we will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary of Bible College sessions. I believe this is a milestone that we have reached that is worth celebrating. The following is a chart of the different years Bible College sessions were held:

1900-01	Topeka, KS (Outpouring of the Holy Spirit)
1905	Houston, TX
1935	Wichita, KS
1937	Baxter Springs, KS
1938	Baxter Springs, KS
1945	Wichita, KS
1946-90	Baxter Springs, KS (44 Consecutive years)

Please help us to begin spreading the word and let's make this a special year to celebrate this event. Our Annual Alumni & Friends Banquet is scheduled for May 11, 1990.

Further details about the banquet will be published at a later date.

Since our Alumni program was initiated in 1986, several needed items have been acquired such as: Computer equipment for the offices, new carpet for the men and women's dorms, new chairs for the dining hall, new curtains for the men's dorm, cement patio with tables in between the dorms, wheel chair ramp for the chapel, etc. All of these items together represent about \$20,000.00, which we appreciate very much. Hopefully that will challenge us in the present to see what we can do to meet the specific needs of the school at hand. The following is a list of such items or projects that your district, church, ladies group, Sunday School class, youth group, or you as an individual would like to purchase or sponsor to raise funds for one or more:

### NEEDED ITEMS AT THE BIBLE COLLEGE

- 1) New Mixing Board (Sound equipment) for the College Choir
- 2) Vacuum cleaners
- 3) New carpet for Married couples apartments
- 4) Amplifier for Educational building class room
- 5) Mini-blinds for Men & Women's dorms
- 6) New Typewriters for office and student use
- 7) Riding Lawn mower & Push mowers
- 8) Washing machines & Dryers
- 9) Materials for installing showers in Men's dorm
- 10) Refrigerated drinking fountains in dorms
- 11) New curtains for Women's dorm
- 12) New curtains for Married couples' apartments
- 13) Cement floor for Bus Barn
- 14) Garage door for Bus Barn (8' x 10')
- 15) Materials for building storage space in bus barn
- 16) Paving in front of Educational Building & dorms
- 17) New Divans for dorms
- 18) Central Air Conditioning unit for Faculty Housing
- 19) New Pots & Pans for Kitchen use

As you look at this list, not any one of us could possibly meet these needs alone, but I do believe all of us working together can see these needs met. If you would like to join me in this goal, I would like to see all of these projects accomplished within a time frame of two years. Please pray that the Lord would bless in that measure for His glory.

Pray also for the school as often as you can. How many lives over the last 50 years have been changed through the work here in Baxter Springs? Many of you know from personal experience or have seen on a firsthand basis that to be true. We want that to continue! God bless you for your burden and concern for the school and I know the Lord will reward you many times over for the sacrifices you make. We hope to see all of you on May 11, 1990 at the Annual Alumni & Friends Banquet.

Sincerely,  
 Danny M. Robinson  
 President

## OBITUARIES

### HICKMAN

F. Allen Hickman, 83, a resident of Fort Sumner, New Mexico for 56 years died August 16, 1989 at his home after an illness.

Funeral services were held Friday, August 17, at Chavez Funeral Home with Rev. Jerome Crowhurst of the Trinity Apostolic Faith Church officiating. Burial was at Fort Sumner Cemetery.

Mr. Hickman was born February 8, 1906 in Texas to John T. and Leesece Rodgers Hickman. He was raised in Corona, New Mexico where he attended school. He married Nellie Dean on August 28, 1931 in Estancia, New Mexico. He worked as a well driller, auto mechanic and was pastor of the Apostolic Faith Church in Fort Sumner. He also was a pastor of the Trinity Apostolic Faith Church in Roswell, New Mexico from 1977-78. He was a member of the Ministerial Alliance in Fort Sumner.

Survivors include his wife Nellie Dean Hickman of Fort Sumner, four brothers, along with many nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers included Harold Hill, Charles Church, Bob Prather, Harold Shumate, Paul Horney, and Ward Thompson.

(Sis. Nellie is in the rest home and would appreciate a card or letter from her friends. Your prayers are also appreciated.)

Nellie Hickman  
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### SPEICHER

Sophia Frances (Scott) Speicher was the third of 10 children born to Nettie G. Earls and Lovell R. Scott. She was born in Payne County, Okla., on Sept. 20, 1904. After a stroke in November of 1988, she entered Long Term Care unit at Smith County Memorial Hospital, where she died Sept. 26, 1989. She was 85 years and 6 days old.

Frances grew up in Oklahoma and later moved to Wichita with her parents.

On Nov. 20, 1930, she married Paul E. Speicher in Wichita and to this union one daughter, Verian, was born. They divorced in 1952.

At the age of 17, she accepted Christ and traveled in evangelistic work with Charles F. Parham and wife, founders of the Apostolic Faith movement. Later in life, she became a member and was baptized in the Immanuel Baptist Church in Wichita. She taught many Sunday School classes and was always willing to lend a helping hand. She attended the Nazarene Church at Smith Center before entering Long Term Care. She was faithful to her Lord all through her life.

Frances' family was important to her. She moved to

Smith County in the early 1960's to be near them. She lived a number of years in Lebanon and later moved to Smith Center.

Thanksgiving and Christmas were joyous times for her as she loved to decorate and cook. One of her many delights was singing in choir and singing in a trio with her sisters.

Her hobbies were writing poetry, oil painting, drawing, embroidery work, and making doll clothes for her grandchildren.

Survivors are her daughter Verian and son-in-law Lloyd Hayes of Portis; grandchildren Randy Hayes of Salina, Cindy and Jerome Fassler and three great grandchildren, Joshua, Jerrod and Jesse of New Orleans, La., and grand daughters Janice and LeeAnn Hayes of Portis.

Surviving brothers are Delpha and Foster Loy of Arkansas City, Martha Pearsall of Wichita, Charles and Juanita Scott of Conway springs, Melvin and Dorothy Scott of Katy, Tx., sister-in-law Nelda Scott of Amarillo, Tx., and 10 nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; Chester who died in infancy; Arthur, Dora (Cross) Krause; Hazel Vestol; and Marvin, who died in infancy.

Many have said that their lives have been blessed by just knowing Frances.

Funeral services were held at Simmons Chapel in Smith Center Friday afternoon, Sept. 29 at 2 p.m. with Rev. Darrell Geist officiating. The songs, "Beyond the Sunset" and "The Old Rugged Cross" were by vocalist Bob Maydew accompanied by Neta Shipley.

The casket bearers were Randy Hayes, Don Hudson-Piller, Marvin Shipley, Derald Sears, Dwight Sears and Jamie Marshall. Burial was in the Crystal Plains Cemetery, Bellaire.

### BARNARD

Vesta Mae Barnard was born March 30, 1913 in Oxford, Ark. She passed from this life in Amarillo, Tx. Sept. 11, 1989.

She moved to Texas in 1931 at the age of 18 years. Here she met and married James Barnard.

Sister Barnard first came in contact with Apostolic Faith people in the forties while she and her family lived in Dumas, Tx. This was during the ministry of the late Rev. John Modrick. She soon became a regular attendant of the church there. The impact of her sincere faithful Christian life was felt in the services. She learned the value and power of prayer. Upon one particular occasion she fasted for 29 days, carrying a special burden. At the end of this period, prayers were answered, including the salvation of her husband. Sister Barnard had a deep concern for the Salvation of her families and friends. God was always first in her life. In 1953 she and her husband attended the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, Ks.

The family then moved to Amarillo, and became charter members of the Apostolic Faith Church at 630 North Bivins. They attended the first service which was held in the Modrick home. Sister Barnard had a special interest in

bringing children to the services. She remained faithful in attendance, prayers and songs and her testimony for the Lord.

She was preceded in death by her husband and daughter, Jamesetta Castleberry of Dallas. Memorial services were conducted in the Martin Road Chapel in Amarillo, September 15, 1989. Rev. Winston Barker, Rev. Ron Noble, and the Rev. Edwin Modrick were in charge of the service. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery in Amarillo.

Family survivors include three grandsons: Scot and Dale Castleberry of Amarillo, Brent Castleberry of Dallas; two sisters; Bonnie Barnard of Amarillo, Fay Moats of Houston; her brothers; Buddy Ballard of Amarillo, Bill Ballard of Little Rock, Ark., and L.B. Ballard of Baltimore, Maryland. Also, four great grandchildren.



Mary Peacock

## PEACOCK

Mary Cordelia (Rutkowski) Peacock, 84, was born December 21, 1904 near Murdock, Kansas to Frank and Bertha Gertrude (Warnken) Rutkowski on a farmstead located about halfway between Cheney, Kansas and Kingman, Kansas one and one-half miles south of Highway 54./

Mary attended country school and high school in Kingman, Kansas graduating with a two year teacher's certificate in 1925. It was during her high school years she accepted Christ as her Saviour at a revival in an old school building in the south part of Kingman, Kansas being conducted by a childhood friend, Reverend John Joseph Peacock, from Cheney, Kansas. She married Brother Johnny May 25, 1927 at the Dibbens farmstead south of Cheney, and spent 47 wonderful years together making their home in Cheney, 506 Wolf St., Brother Johnny's home since he was seven years of age.

They were blessed with five children, Virginia Christine, John Wesley (died shortly from injuries received after being run over with an automobile in downtown Cheney in May 1937 at the age of seven), Donna Mae Iris, Glenn Arthur and Gerald Dee.

Mary labored faithfully with her husband in the Gospel

Work throughout their lifetime. They traveled their early years with the preaching and singing. She was the pianist and he the song leader and preacher and they would sing specials together. A lot of experiences we heard and know but many, that you, out there, could relate to us that we would enjoy hearing now, should you be able to write or talk over old times with us. Only God knows the completeness of our walk with Him. Many souls came to the Lord. Some are carrying forth the gospel with His Message because they knelt at the altar. They found Christ real and dedicated their lives to Him for the preaching of His Word and teaching others. The Spirit touching many hearts, as He still does today.

Brother Johnny and Sister Mary took the gospel into homes in communities with no Pentecostal churches paving the way to a faithful service in backwoods areas. Praise the Lord, He is so Good. They also were faithful Sunday School teachers, and helpers at our home church in Cheney and in later years at the Kingman, Kansas Apostolic Faith Church. Many lives were touched with conviction and saved, healed and filled with the Baptism in the Holy Ghost because of lives so lived and dedicated.

She encouraged others by her work, in helping with what she had, also with prayers and sharing of her means. She was a constant source of joy and encouragement to those who knew her and were privileged to be near her. She was a faithful laborer in her days, a preacher's wife, a very loving and devoted wife and mother and was always reaching out to others in need, she helped raise grandchildren and found others to shower her love on. "A Johnnie On The Spot." Instantaneous, many many times "on the go", A DOER, NOT HEARER ONLY. She was consistently involved caring for others' needs, especially children, elderly and other ministers.

We have a wonderful heritage with parents such as Mother and Dad Peacock to give us the gospel, lived before us with attendance in services and special home prayer meetings twice a week and travels on some weekends to preach and we kids with others, singing specials together.

We also had the privilege to enjoy preachers in our home, "The Peacock Ranch" during revivals held in our home church in Cheney, Kansas at the "Apostolic Faith Mission" that Brother Charles F. Parham helped establish. We give God the Glory and Honor for all that this has meant to us as we see the last days approaching.

One of the nations' greatest and hardworking ladies departed from her family, relative,s friends, co-laborers in the Lord and her neighbors. The little town of Cheney, Ks. will miss her greatly, as others will, whose lives were touched by her. A pioneer of the gospel, a prayer warrior for souls for salvation and a joy in the blessings of the Holy Spirit of God will long be remembered throughout our lives till we depart or Jesus comes.

She leaves with us the legacy of "Loving the unlovely" kindness to the unruly, unkind and selfish, feeding the hungry, dressing wounds, and honesty in all things with truth. She belonged to Him. We are glad that we can belong to Him in His Kingdom. She and Dad chose His

Way and we are glad that we could be a part to choose also to follow in the "Footprints of Jesus" they left us to follow in. Praise the Lord!

The funeral service was conducted at Livingstons Funeral Home in Kingman, Kansas Thursday May 25, 1989 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev. Marion L. Bishop, (a son-in-law) officiating. He relating well known facts in pioneering the "Pentecostal Gospel". It is not in vain, God is in control. He is the rewarder. The Gospel carries forth. Pastor Kenneth Keeling gave very touching words of comfort and prayer.

The service was greatly anointed and inspiring. One of mother's favorite songs, "When I get to the End of the Way" was sung by Mrs. Byron Opdyke, Mrs. John Wimer and Mrs. Alvin Watkins, a trio from long ago and used in a great way to bless our hearts. They were accompanied by Archie N. Course (a son-in-law) at the organ. The song "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" was sung acapella by four grandchildren; Marcus, Stephen, Glenna and Christine Bishop sons and daughters of Rev. & Mrs. Marion L. Bishop. The song "Sheltered in the Arms of God", also was sung acapella, by granddaughters Norma (Crouse) Adams, Glenna and Christine Bishop.

With Marcus, a grandson at her bedside she laid aside this earthly mantle Sunday morning, bright and early 3:15 a.m. May 21, 1989 at Hadley Regional Medical Center, Hays, Kansas.

She leaves to rejoice in her victorious departure her family, who loved her dearly, Archie and Virginia Crouse.

Wichita Falls, Tx. Rev. Marion L. and Donna Mae Bishop, Plainville, Ks. Glenn Arthur and LaNeva Ann Peacock, Metairie, La. Gerald Dee and Mary Lou Peacock, Warren, NH.

Three sisters Eva Rodman and her husband Oakley of Cheney, Ks., Frances Dibbens, Boulder, Colo., and Ella Day and husband Roy of Kingman, Ks.

Twenty-five grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild. A host of other relatives and many, many friends.

Her husband, Brother Johnnie, well known and loved, Apostolic Faith Preacher, preceded her in death on Dec. 30, 1974 as did one son, John Wesley in May 1937. Also, two sisters and an infant brother.

Pallbearers were: Grandsons Gerald D. Peacock, Jr., Marcus, Richard, Stephen Bishop, Paul Adams and Rodney Plute.

Honorary pallbearers were Oakley Rodman, Roy Day, brothers-in-law, Byron Opdyke, John Wimer, Jerald Morrison of the church and Floyd Souders, Frank L. Young Jr. and Forest Wayne Castor Jr. of the community.

Mary was laid to rest in the Waterloo Cemetery near Highway 17 just north of Highway 54 not far from the Rutkowski homestead near to where she grew up and attended the Waterloo, Ks. Presbyterian Sunday School and Church.

At the closing of the gravesite service a very beautiful tribute and a scriptural appreciation was given by her son, Glenn A. Peacock. Then all the grandchildren triumphantly

sang the first verse of "How Great Thou Art" with all present singing on the chorus.

Thanks for all the prayers of the saints who knew her. God bless each of you from all our hearts. Our loss is heaven's gain.

**Please help!!** We'll welcome any memories you may wish to share with our family. send to any one of us:

Virginia & Archie  
Donna Mae & Marion  
Glenn & LaNeva  
Gerald & Mary Lou

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### FOR MY GRANDMA, MARY C. PEACOCK

What can one say that could describe  
a life so filled with God-  
Who could possibly grasp the silent tears  
and prayers, o'er the years as she  
uncomplainingly gave her all?  
I wonder if she held a buried treasure  
of dreams and expectations, that  
somehow faded as she heeded the still,  
Small voice, calling to her in the night.  
The years she stood faithfully beside the  
one God gave her in her days of youth,  
pledging him her love until death....

Through famines and feasts she never ceased  
to share all that was bestowed in grace.

There was no loss that escaped the tender heart  
that cried, "O, Lord, I surrender all!"

Her laughter still brings a joy to my heart  
as I remember my childhood days; when even in  
my "troubled times", she knew all would be well.

One gift she gave to me that can never be taken  
away,...her prayers for me that never ceased.

Until our Lord received her in His arms and  
led her to their home.

Yes, the grief...I realize she is gone...  
the tears flow without reserve...she is missed...

But, I am reminded she is not suffering now; she  
is rejoicing in His presence with her loved  
ones-smiling at them who left before her-waiting,  
I know someday I'll see her again, and as in the days  
of my childhood, her laughter will still the "storms"  
and she'll hold me once again.

A saint...whose eyes reflected Jesus...a heritage she left  
me..TO MY GRANDMA WITH LOVE!

Author - Judy (Crouse) Wheeler

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# Bylaws of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, Inc.

## ARTICLE VII Doctrine

It is recognized that the true church of Jesus Christ consists of all believers in the saving grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ who have accepted him as their personal Saviour. It is recognized and agreed that no organization or man has been granted authority by the Lord to exclude from or accept anyone into the Kingdom of Heaven, as this is done by Jesus Christ only. It is further recognized and agreed that we as Christians are to love all members of the Body of Christ (Christians), and this love and fellowship derives from the unity instilled by the Holy Spirit. Although differences in doctrinal beliefs and interpretations should not influence our love for one another, adherence to similar doctrinal beliefs and modes of worship have bonded together those of the Apostolic Faith Movement as founded by Charles F. Parham in the early 1900's. The scripture teaches us to adhere to the truth and proper doctrine.

These common doctrinal beliefs are essentially as follows:

Triune God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
Creation and Formation

Man is basically sinful and in need of Salvation

Salvation by Grace upon repentance toward God and acceptance of Jesus Christ as one's personal Saviour, which is the conception of Spiritual Life.

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

Baptism of the Holy Spirit; evidenced by speaking in other languages.

Water Baptism (of all believers) by immersion in water in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Washing of Feet.

Divine Healing through Jesus Christ for all believers.

Do not condone divorce and remarriage. Matthew 19:8-9

Destruction of the Wicked.

Conditional Immortality.

Rapture of the Man Child Class.

Return of Jesus Christ to earth again; bodily and visibly.

A Ministry supported by tithes and offerings.

These basic doctrines shall be adhered to in the teaching of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, which in addition to other doctrinal teachings approved by the Board from time to time if they are not inconsistent with the above listed basic doctrines.



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