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Pearls of Promise

*If the Son therefore shall make you
free, ye shall be free in deed.*

John 8:36

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Doctrine

It is recognized that the true church of Jesus Christ consists of all believers who believe in the saving grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and who have accepted Him as their personal Savior. 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. The 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 Savior, 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 the 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
- * 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 doctrines shall be adhered to in the teachings of the Apostolic Faith Bible College, which in addition to other doctrinal teaching approved by the Board from time to time if they are not inconsistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

6/1/11 7 Year Journey 6/1/18

“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.” Proverbs 3:5-6



As I reflect over the past seven years of our life and ministry so many thoughts have come to mind. Sis. Rhonda and I, in reality had no real understanding of what God was doing when He changed our ministry direction and summoned us to the Bible College. I will try to explain now what I did not know then. Here is a summary of our seven year journey and what we have found to be of most importance.

It was a bittersweet experience leaving our pastorate in Crosses, AR to come to Baxter Springs, KS. The bitter part was leaving where we were comfortable, leaving our longtime friends, but the toughest part of all was leaving our family and the closeness of being involved with our children and grandchildren. The sweet part was knowing that God was directing our path and our ministry allowing us the experience of seeing more clearly the world in which we live.

We have said often that living through the teen age years of our own 3 children and our secular job work experiences helped prepare us for the task of ministering to the students which have walked into the Bible College campus. That is, somewhat, a true statement! But having been raised in a truly functional family in which most everyone knew Christ and love done another, we were largely oblivious to the pain endured by those who've never known that blessing.

The Lord has opened our eyes, through the lives of many of these young people, to the deep and incessant pain, and yes, often times mental and physical suffering they have endured in their lives. Understand, that some of the students have the same family history as we do and yet there are many who arrived at the Bible College completely alone, broken, hurting, no self esteem, some destitute, living without purpose and without hope of anything ever changing.

If for no other reason I believe the Lord sent us here to be a part of a spiritual awakening in the lives of these young people. What a blessing to see these young people evolve from living beaten down, to living a new life, high in Jesus Christ. We see them, after one and two years, with the joy of the Lord in their hearts, a new outlook on life, the hope of a bright future, and the blessing of having a spiritual family to love and be loved by.

We've also felt the hurt and frustration of the inevitable, when you prepare for hours and days and pour yourself unto giving Godly instruction only to see a young person that you have invested so much love, time and energy into simply walk away. We at first tried to consider our process or did we do something wrong. But then we realized that all we can do is what we are called to do, minister the Word and let the Word minister to the young people and pray that they make the right decisions.

So to sum up in a nutshell our journey at AFBC, we started here with one thing in mind and we are ending our time here and awaiting our next assignment from the Lord with one thing in mind. That is to “KEEP THE MAIN THING, THE MAIN THING” which is found in I Corinthians 2:2 ***“For I am determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.”*** Blessings on all of you for being a part of our journey. Bill and Rhonda Waggoner

2nd Year Students Testimony

Kaylan Caldwell- If I had 2 words to describe Bible College, they would be “life changing” I have been given the amazing opportunity to attend for 2 years tuition free, During the 2 years I’ve been able to study God’s Word, minister to others through outreaches and mission trips, help in church camps and build my life on the solid foundation of Jesus! Now, if you would have told me all of this in the beginning I wouldn’t have believed you. But it has been one of the best, most rewarding experiences of my life. I’m glad I chose to obey the Lord’s calling and come to AFBC because of the blessings I’ve received, words cannot describe. I’m excited to see what all God has in store for me as I take my next steps and further my education in college. I would like to say “Thank You” for all you do and give for the school! I couldn’t have had these opportunities or did all that I did without you!

Zach Frost—I just want to say “Thank You” to all the supporters for making these past 2 years possible for me. I have been changed in a way I never thought I could or would. Being here at AFBC has made me rethink my life and how I want the Lord to lead it and me just follow. I’m not the same man I was 2 years ago when I first stepped foot on this campus. The faculty and Bill and Rhonda have played a big part in my life change, but God is the one who led me to this place and put these people in my life to help me prepare for life and what it means to be a true Christian in today’s world. Again, “Thank You” for all of your support and prayers.

Victoria Harbour - During my first year of Bible College every time I would pray “why am I here, what is the purpose of these 2 years , God would speak to me saying..... “this is a time of preparation”. I didn’t understand at the time but He started to open my eyes. This year I had the privilege of going to Guatemala with the Mission Team. While we were there I had an opportunity to speak on evangelism. While preparing for this message I recognized all that AFBC had poured into me. During the message I gave time for questions and when people started asking questions I had answers. They weren’t just answers that I could make up though, they had a biblical foundation. As I was speaking all of the scriptures that had been put into my heart were coming to my mind. I recognized that the last 2 years had prepared my heart and mind to respond with words of truth, to fill other peoples lives with the Word of God, spreading the good news and giving them the knowledge that God had allowed me to receive through AFBC. He used the Bible College to prepare me for all of His plans. For this I am extremely grateful.

Jose Hernandez—I have seen God work a miracle in my life while I was at AFBC. I learned biblical principles and was in an environment where I could easily apply them and see that God’s Word really is true! I learned that if I sow, I will also reap. I gained a greater understanding of grace through faith and not works, and I learned that the works need to be done in love and out of the overflow of your heart. I also learned that I can take God at His Word. My faith grew exponentially, along with my biblical understanding, and my understanding of God’s will in my life. I learned that He is always with me, and through Him I have purpose. I have truly had a blessed 2 years at AFBC.

Jordan Johnson - AFBC Has done so much for me! At first I was using the college as a rehab to stop drugs and to get away from the bad influences but God has done so much more! He brought me out of addiction and into victory! I’ve grown spiritually, mad new life long friends and have been equipped with what I need to follow God’s plan for me. I know I have so much more to learn but AFBC has given me a starting point to continue to grow and stand strong in my faith.

Austin Laubach-These past 2 years at AFBC has been nothing short of amazing. I came in my first year with an incurable disease, but God proved that He was my healer. Since then, I have been stretched and been given many amazing opportunities to grow here at AFBC. God has a calling on my life, and this place has given me everything I needed to be able to chase my calling wholeheartedly. I learned what it really means to be a follower of Christ, and I am excited for what is ahead. Thank You AFBC!

Derrick Mashburn-The last couple of years my experience here at AFBC has been a wonderful, life changing journey for me. I've had many opportunities to speak, work with friends, and have time with God. When I first came to college, I didn't know exactly what to expect. I was super excited to live apart from my hometown, to get a feeling of what it would be like to live on my own. I thought I would go to gain an education, add volunteering hours to my resume, meet some inspiring bible scholars and attain a direction for my future plans for other colleges. Though many of these are true, my experience here has been much deeper than that. Through the time that I've spent here I've witnessed a whole new perspective of myself. I once was shy and didn't want to speak in front of people and praying openly made me really nervous. I didn't know how to trust other people and I was afraid to put myself out there. Not every moment was easy, I had my fair share of laughter as well as challenging times that I had to pull through. Every situation that I faced taught me how to have an overcomers perspective and increased my maturity greatly. Now, I'm confident in who I am with Christ, I'm sure of the calling He's placed for me and I am ready to set the necessary boundaries to keep living above reproach. There's definitely a lot more to learn as I progress through the years I have in front of me, but one thing is for sure I am way better off having come here to be equipped than I would have been had I let this opportunity pass me by. I can't wait to see what God has planned for me through my upcoming career, education and marriage.

Haylee Miesner- The past two years of my life has been amazing. God has completely changed the path of my life and my heart dramatically and I am so glad I came to AFBC so that could happen. Before I came to school here, I was not following God. I was doing my own thing and headed in a bad direction, but not even our past can separate us from God's love. I've been taught about god my whole life, but I gave my heart to Him my first year, and have grown so much in my relationship with Him. I'm so thankful to have been in a place where I can learn about who I am in Christ and just spend time in His presence. AFBC was the best and most important decision I have ever made and has given me a firm foundation to start my life on. Now that I'm graduated God has shown me that it is time to go out and not just fill a seat at church on Sunday, but to share the gospel. I am so excited to support and watch AFBC grow and for God to change more and more lives at this school.

James Owings-AFBC has helped me learn deeper things about the Bible and more about what it means to be a Christian. Also more about how I am to be a disciple maker. It has helped me develop more with my ability to deal with people. It has given me not only good friend, but also brothers and sisters in Christ. It has also benefited in helping me realize just how important alone time with God is, that you can't just spend time with God at church services. It was definitely worth it.

Jarod Shafer-Before I came to AFBC I was looking at going to a different Bible College. so I prayed about it and God told me to ask my Mom where a friend of mine was going and I did. She said that he was going to AFBC. So I came for an interview with Bro. Bill and Sis. Rhonda. They told me that classes would be starting in a few weeks. I went home and prayed and felt that I should go to AFBC. I came and loved it! I had some ups and downs, but God had something in store for me my second year. I started off ok my second year.. But fell flat on my face. I started to struggle with my studies. Some of the faculty talks to me and told me to get my act together and to pray. I did and things started to change, but not all of it. In February, Chase was leading the church service and I felt a heaviness in my heart to pray for forgiveness of some the things that I was holding on to. The service was about deliverance. I was delivered from fear, from lust, from anger, from pornography, from feeling less than anyone else, and from being proud. I would have been still dealing with these things if I had went somewhere else. I want to say "Thank You" to all of you for your support to the Bible College. Without you, this place where God's grace and mercy and blessings fall would not be here. May God bless you for your support to help teach young people in the Word of God and then after that they go and make disciples of people who live in a dark world.

Sekka Singleton- Getting the call from God to come to AFBC was a change of my plans. I grew up in church so I knew I just had to go. Little did I know this school would change my life! I learned so much in the classes. I didn't just learn about my God but I learned about my relationship and who I am in Him. This place has given me a foundation that is solid and has given me direction in God's will for my life. This wonderful school is a blessing and game changer for future generations, I now know that the mission field is where I would like to go. Without the support of others I would never have gotten to attend such a school.. I Thank You!

2nd Year Student Testimonies

Alexandra Tennant-When I came to AFBC, I was put together on the outside but inside I had a broken heart. I grew up in church so I knew the basics of the Bible. I was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit but I wasn't walking in my full potential. I knew enough to get by but I wasn't living completely victorious. I came and learned some things that I should have known but didn't. I started interceding in prayer and understanding what that really meant. I became more confident in my identity as a Christian and more confident in general. My second year was the best for me. I got rid of all my pain and bitterness that I had towards the person that hurt me. I started walking in the authority that was given me. Some of my relationships have been restored and I believe that God has seven more in store. God has given me promises through His Word that I have already seen start to manifest. I learned things that helped me but the most important thing I got was time with God. Time to get rooted in my relationship with God. I've learned to trust God and He will direct my steps even when I don't know where I am going.

Trishten Wilkinson-My time here at AFBC has been a major stepping stone for my life. I've established a greater understanding of the Word of God, as well as the calling He has placed upon my life. I've experienced the heart of God through the staff and students here on campus and we've become a family during these past two years. I'm so happy God called me to this place and I am excited to see where He leads us all from here!

Laura Anima-There are so many things I could say about AFBC. These past three years have been life changing! God has revealed himself to me in many ways. I've been delivered from fear, grown as a worship leader and learned to have a servant's heart. I have been blessed by the faculty and their hard work and dedication to help us have a firm foundation in the Lord! AFBC will forever have a special place in my heart! Coming here has been one of the best decisions I've ever made! I can now be confident in who I am in Christ as I go out into the world! Thank you all for your prayers and support.



Music Team Tour Report

Laura Anima

From the Oklahoma Panhandle down to South Texas and all the way up to the mountains of West Virginia the AFBC music team shared the message of victory!

Romans 8:37 says "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us!" With several stops along the way including Alabama the team was able to allow the Spirit to move through them and change lives!

Every service was filled with joy and victory! The students shared their testimonies and simply shared what God had laid on

their hearts. Remember that you are an OVERCOMER and that we are VICTORIOUS through Jesus Christ our Lord!

2018 AFBC Scholarship Recipients

During the closing exercise at AFBC two 4 Year scholarships were awarded to graduating students. They are Kaylan Caldwell of Follett, TX and Alexandra Tennant of Parkersburg, WV.

Our prayers are with these young ladies as they continue their education and walk as an example of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



Kaylan and Alexandra

AFBC MISSIONS EXPERIENCE

In March 2018, 10 AFBC students had an amazing opportunity that did not begin on a plane or in another country. It happened when they came to a classroom and devoted their hearts to learn what it means to follow Jesus. Their development has been tremendous. Their influence has increased and love has been extended..

Our team partnered with The Kitchen of Love whose goal is proclaiming good news to the poor and delivering hope and food to the hungry. They are passionate for people and “eradicate poverty in Guatemala”. Through KOL your prayerful and provisional support continues to reach people long after our Mission Experience is over.



New Superintendent at AFBC

HELLO! My name is Brian Harris. My wife Jenny and I, officially stepped into the role of superintendent of AFBC on June 1, 2018. We both graduated from AFBC and have been in the ministry ever since. We are truly excited about what God has in store for the Bible College, and know in our hearts we've been called here “for such a time as this.”

We are believing for I Chronicles 4:10 (NKJ) “And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying, “Oh that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory, that Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, that I may not cause pain!”

Please continue to support and pray for the staff and students of the Apostolic Faith Bible College. Pray for wisdom, direction, clarity and unity.



Jenny and Brian Harris

Youth Summit 2018

Ephesians 2:3-5 We've all messed up and fallen short of the Glory of God. We've found ourselves at the bottom of a horrible pit, stuck in the miry clay, our own righteousness like filthy rags.....But God... No matter your past, God can bring freedom and forgiveness. No matter your current circumstances, God can bring provision and victory. All we have to do is follow Him.

Youth Summit is July 26-28 at AFBC for students from 7th grade to just graduated. This year we are expecting over 100 teens to attend Pray that the Holy Spirit moves in mighty ways and lives are changed. If you'd like to support this event, you may do so through the Apostolic Faith Bible College, P.O. Box 110, Baxter Springs, KS 66713. Please note Youth Summit. Thank you for your continued support prayerfully and financially. Brian Harris

Malaki Pliier

Mason and Rebecca Pliier (AFBC Alumni) of Joplin, MO announce the birth of their 1st child, a son, Malaki James Pliier, born on May 29, 2018. He weighed 5 lbs 14 oz and was 18 in. long. His grandparents are Susan Nix, Marcia Lee, Roy Nix and Larry Pliier. Malaki's family attend Community Chapel in Jop[lin], MO under the ministry of Jeff & Kim Jones.



AFBC Alumni and Friends Banquet



Laughter, chatter and voices lifted in praise echoed off the walls of the multi-purpose building on the campus of the Apostolic Faith Bible College on the evening of May 8th, 2018 as we gathered together once again for the annual AFBC Alumni and Friends Banquet.

The theme for the evening was “O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing”. As I prepared for the banquet I thought of those who had passed on in recent months and how we would miss them at the banquet this year, but I also looked forward to a time when we would all be together before the throne of God to give Him the praise He so rightly deserves.

The evening began with a meal and invocation led by Bro. Jack Cornell. As a bit of a surprise and a whole lot of fun, a Bible College trivia game show was arranged and hosted by Brian Moser. Answers were submitted by Alumni and teams tried to guess the top answers on the survey in Family Feud style. Brian also prepared a special trivia game for departing Superintendents, Bill and Rhonda Waggoner.



The evening concluded with wonderful worship music by the praise team from Living Hope Assembly of Elkins, AR led by our friend Eddie Mashburn. The evening ended with a prayer of benediction led by incoming Superintendent Brian Harris and encouragement from Bro. Bill Waggoner as well



While we miss our friends and loved ones that have gone on before us we have hope that we will see them again one day. And not only will one thousand voices be raised, but together with thousands upon thousands we will once again sing His praise. Until that day, let us keep singing, praying and working so that many more can join us there!

Thank you to everyone who helped to make this event possible. I couldn't do it without the help of the students and staff of the school as well many others who help to make this a success. Special thanks to Kathy Heidlage for cooking a wonderful meal, Nancy Wilcox for the delicious desserts and to her family for serving them; to the worship team from Living Hope Assembly for coming and sharing your musical talents ;Kalee Smith for helping with registration; to Brian for the fun trivia game and always supporting me; and to all who came and made this event such a success! Thank You!

More pictures can be found on our “AFBC Alumni & Friends Association” Facebook page. Like our page to keep up with future events and happenings and reconnect with old classmates. And you can always contact us by phone or email listed below.

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But if we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all unrighteousness. I John 1:7



New Dorm at 4-State Youth Camp

A new air conditioned 40 x 58 dorm at the 4-State Youth Camp at Baxter

Springs, KS was enjoyed by 83 girls and workers during Youth Camp 2018. 49 boys and workers also attended and look forward to when a new boy's dorm will built on their side of the camp . Pray for us as we seek God's direction on that.

A Movement Wide Ladies Retreat will be hosted on the Camp Grounds by the Cave Springs, AR Apostolic Faith Church Sept. 28th –30th. There will also be a Fall 4-State Camp Fund Raiser Dinner. It will be held Oct. 6th. Time will be announced later.

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60th Wedding Anniversary



Dennie and Karen Oakes of Joplin, MO recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. They were married June 15,1958

at the Original Apostolic Faith Church in Joplin, MO with the Rev. Paul Clanton officiating.

They have been blessed with 5 daughters, Carla (Dwight) Wilson, Ava, MO, Tamara (Joel) Dorris, Carl Junction, MO, Valerie Fleming, Webb City, MO, Vanessa (Seldon) Harris, Granby, MO and the late Lisa Dorris; 23 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

Family and friends gathered to celebrate the occasion and the faithfulness of our Lord and Savior to their family through the years. Dennie and Karen attend Southside Apostolic Faith Church in Joplin, MO under the ministry of Brian and Cheryl Moser.

They “Fought The Good Fight...Finished The Course...Kept The Faith”



On February 5, 2018, Pastor Stephen Abraham, father of India Gospel Outreach President Valson Abraham and long time President of India Bible College and Seminary, entered into the presence of his Lord and Savior. Family members who were with him at his passing said that just before he departed his earthly life, he showed clear signs of already seeing his new home in heaven with his Lord whom he served for more that 70 years. Thousands attended services to praise the way that God worked through his life and ministry, some coming from the U.S. and othe parts of the world. His wife, Mary Abraham preceded him on November 26,

2016. They were married 66 years and 7 months. We remember this couple who, over almost 70 years set the course for India Bible College, set a standard for future training institutes throughout India, made possible the birth and growth of India Gospel Outreach, raised a harvest force for India and beyond, and influenced many other likeminded ministries in countless ways. Over the decades they attracted everyone's attention for what they had accomplished, though they sought no attention. They excelled like few people excel, though to surpass others was never their aim.

Stephen Abraham was born Sept. 13, 1925, elder son of Pastor K.E. Abraham and Annamma Abraham, former school teachers who resigned their jobs to follow Christ, enter the ministry and live by faith. From his birth, his parents, pioneer missionaries to India's unreached peoples, set the vision and example that followed him for more than 92 years. When he was still young, his parents dedicated him to the Lord's service. He committed his life to Christ at age 11. He received his B.A. in Philosophy at the University of Kerala in 1949, attended the Apostolic Faith Bible College in Baxter Springs, KS in Jan.– March 1953 and 1954. He devoted the rest of his life serving the Lord in many ways. His teaching ministry at India Bible College began in 1956 and he served continually until 2013 when his health began to fail.

His wife, Mary Abraham was born Mary Chacko, on Sept. 2, 1925, eldest of six children of pioneer evangelistic/church planters. Pastor P.T. Chacko and Annamma Chacko, who also left all to follow Christ and live by faith. In 1936, she and her family left Kerala for Andrah Pradesh where her father planted churches throughout the state. Quickly learning the Teluga language, she translated for her father on the streets beginning at age 11. Mary Abraham was an outstanding student and teacher. In her secular work, she became known for excellence and efficiency. (Next page)

Mary (Chacko) Abraham and T. Stephen Abraham wed on April 27, 1950, beginning 66 years of loving marriage with four children; T. Valson Abraham, Annie Jacobs, Starla Luke and Shirley Chacko. They raised them all to love and serve the Lord. Their marriage combined partnership in ministry with a relationship of genuine love, trust and respect for one another that embodied Paul's ideal for Christian Marriage in Ephesians 5..

In India they were well known, both inside and outside the Christian community, among the rich and poor, powerful and powerless. But they did not seek out the powerful or emulate them, Throughout their lives, they kept simple lifestyles, focusing their material and spiritual resources upon one task; to glorify God and advance His Kingdom. They did not seek the approval of others but the approval of God. Many times, this brought vicious slander and even physical attacks. But they responded with grace and dignity, not responding in kind, not denigrating those who hated them. In the end, even their enemies had to admit the humility of this couple and confess their admiration. Basically quiet people, they communicated the Word of God with confidence, simplicity and authority to many kinds of people. Because they did not compromise the gospel to please the itching ears of men, God blessed their ministry with a growing church of godly men and women who are spreading the Good News throughout India and beyond.



Pastor Abraham prays for graduates at the 2009 IBC graduation. Next to him is his son, IGO President Valson Abraham. Behind Stephen stands Coby Cummings, whose grandparents (Marcus and Mary Adair) hosted him during studies in the early 1950's

Dixie Colene Deal –1934-2018

Dixie Coleen (Baker) deal took the hand of Jesus to leave her earthly home behind on Tuesday, March 6, 2018. Memorial services were held on March 10, 2018 at the Trinity Faith Fellowship Church in Laverne, OK.

Dixie Colene (Baker) was born in Laverne, Ok on July 5, 1934 to Jacob James and Audrey Baker. Her childhood home is located south of Laverne where she grew up with sisters Betty (Baker) Welsh and Carol (Baker) Malone. Dixie began her education at the Luther Hill School and graduated from Laverne High School in 1952.

On April 12,1952 Dixie married the love of her life, Lawrence Lee Deal, sharing over 65 years together. They lived in Laverne for a few years before moving to her grandparents farm 12 miles south of Laverne. Dixie loved being a wife and mother. She was actively involved in the farming activities as well as being an accomplished seamstress. She later worked at the Leader tribune, Wallenburg Hardware, owned and operated the C Shoppe and drove a school

bus for 29 years. Dixie became an active member of the Apostolic Faith Church in 1942 continually serving others in many capacities. She also served As an officer for the Laverne Senior Citizens Center. Dixie loved history and became an avid lover of scrap booking. One of her greatest joys was to take a camping trip especially when she could take along a grandchild or two or three! Probably every one of her grandkids and some of the great grandkids could share a camping memory. The trip that she and Lawrence took to Switzerland and Germany was a special highlight in her life.

With her passing, her beloved husband and family rejoice in knowing Dixie is now experiencing eyernal joy and peace and rest in the promise of one day being beside her around the Throne. She is preceded in death by her parents, son larry Don deal and granddaughter, Laura Kay Barnett.

Her memory will be cherished by her husband, Lawrence Deal, Laverne OK; her children Patty and Dan Manning , Laverne,OK; Brenda and husband Duane Barnett , Amarillo, TX; daughter -in -law Helena Deal, Laverne, OK and Alan and wife Shiloh Deal of Laverne, OK; along with her 22 grandchildren Kevin (V'Lynda) Barnett, Perryton, TX, Todd (Vanette) Barnett, Amarillo, TX, Duronda (Dustin) Lookingbill, Shattuck, Ok, J.J. (Denise) Manning, Balko, OK; Daniel (Sady) Manning, Laverne, OK; Chad (Angela) Deal, Laverne, OK; Mindy (Nick) Nichols , Forgan, OK; Scott (Melissa) Deal, Laverne, OK; Clayton (Amber) Deal, Tulsa, OK; Chelsea (Shane) Johnson, Yukon, OK and Schuyler (Valerie) Beck, Laverne, OK. Also her 23 great grandchildren; Mason, McCoy, Marlee, Sydnie, Ethan, Maddison,



Ruth Ella Dorris– 1938-2018

Ruth Ella (Tipton) Dorris, age 79, of Purcell, MO passed peacefully on May 26, 2018, surrounded by her children. She was born on July 30, 1938, in Badger, KS to the late James Tipton and Ruby (Leonard) Tipton. She married Joseph M. Dorris Sr. on June 10, 1957. He survives.

Ruth was a devoted Christian who loved the Lord with all of her heart. She prayed tirelessly for the family that she loved and was selfless in her role as a wife, mother and grandmother. Her love for the Lord made her house a home. She was a homemaker and enjoyed baking hot rolls and cinnamon rolls. But most of all she loved spreading the Good News of the Gospel through music. She passed the love of music on to her children and together with her they ministered to local churches as the “Dorris Family Singers.” Ruth was also a member of the Miami Indian Tribe.



Additional survivors include 7 children; Joseph Dorris Jr. (Sue) of Neck City, MO, Joel Dorris (Tamara) of Carl Junction, MO, Jody Dorris (Jeanna), Webb City, MO, Julie Pulsifer (Chris) Purcell, MO, James Dorris (Kimberly), Oronogo, MO, Jill Kidwell (Jimmie), Purcell, MO, and Joshua Dorris (Angela) of Webb City, MO; 42 grandchildren and 36 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother, Paul Tipton and three sisters, Dorothy Eslinger, Doll Baughman and Mavis Handshy.

Funeral services were held on June 1, 2018 at Spring Grove Apostolic Faith Church in Galena, KS with Joel Dorris officiating. Music was provided by her children. Burial was in the Purcell Friends Cemetery, Purcell, MO.

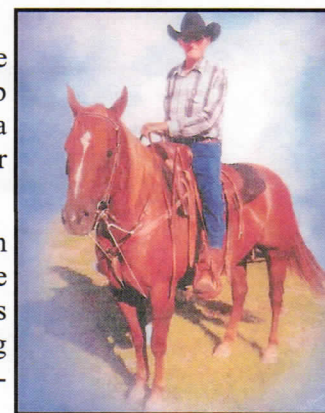
But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

I Corinthians 15:57

Donald Wayne Flowers-1936-2018

Donald Wayne Flowers was born January 1, 1936 in Canadian, TX to Travis and Alice Flowers. He attended grammar school in Perryton, TX and completed high school at Bob Jones University in South Carolina. He served his country as an Army medic in Korea from 1959-1960 after training in San Antonio, TX. He married Vivian Steffen on October 10, 1959. To this union was born Veva, Makell and Trubert.

Donald and Veva farmed and ranched at Perryton, TX and he served for many years on the Full Gospel Church Board. Donald also served as an original board member of the Faith Student Center (later the Navigator Ministry Center) in Canyon, TX, resigning his position just last year, saying it was time to turn it over to a younger person. After moving to New Mexico, Donald and Vivian ranched at Mills, New Mexico and attended Mosquero Community Church.



Donald accepted Christ’s death and resurrection for redemption from sin, and trusted the Lord alone for his salvation. Donald gave his heart and life to the Lord at 9 years of age and lived faithfully to that commitment until his death, knowing that forgiveness and eternal life rested in Christ alone, not on Donald’s own merit.

Donald’s greatest love was for his Lord, then his family, friends and those in need. He also found great enjoyment in his horses and dogs and ranching in general.

Donald had a heart to serve others and dedicated himself to that effort until the very moment he went to be with his Heavenly father, June 17, 2018. Donald’s greatest desire was to know Christ and to make Him known. Donald is survived by family and friends who will greatly miss him, but who are comforted in the hope of resurrection and a joyful reunion.

Internment was held on June 22, 2018 at the Mills Cemetery with a Memorial Service that followed at the Mosquero, New Mexico High School with Pastor Bruce Dass officiating.

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