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AND when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

2 And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

3 And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?

4 And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

5 And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

6 And he saith unto them, Be not Affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Naza-reth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

7 But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

Mark 16:1-7



# HALLELUJAH! CHRIST AROSE!

As I was driving from our home to the Report office, the words of the familiar Easter hymn began going through my mind — "Up from the grave He arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes; He arose a Victor from the dark domain and He lives forever with His saints to reign, He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!" As I thought on this song the Lord brought to my remembrance the first time that I ever heard these words.

In 1954 I was living in Sasebo Japan, with my parents. A good friend of mine was the daughter of the chaplain of the Army post and so I began to attend church with her. As Easter approached the choir began to practising for the special services and since my friend was in the choir I decided that I'd like to join the choir also. We spent a lot of time preparing and learning the songs that were to be used and this beautiful hymn "Christ Arose" was one of them. I loved the song from the first I heard it and enjoyed singing with the choir. Easter Sunday came and many people gathered for services that morning. The choir sang the hymns and the chaplain brought the message. I don't even remember what he spoke on but I shall never forget what followed. Since it was Easter, communion was going to be taken. I didn't know anything much about this ordinance but as he opened this part of the service, I felt that I would like to partake of it. I wasn't a Christian — never heard of the "Full Gospel". I had heard that you should be a member of a church to take communion anyway. As I went to the front with the other members of the choir I felt real shaky, but as I knelt something happened that had never happened before. It seemed as though I was kneeling in the very presence of God. I felt like I was standing on Holy ground, a place I'd never been before. And I still believe I was. I didn't become a Christian that day — no one had ever told me about repentance — but that sacred visitation of God never left me. In fact it was several years before I heard the gospel preached but during those years God gently opened doors and tenderly spoke to my heart. So at this Easter time of 1994 my heart rejoices and remembers when God in all His love and mercy made me aware of His Presence and that not only did Christ die for me but that "Christ Arose" for me as well.

May all praise, honour, and glory be given unto Him.

Karen

## By Laws 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 Savior Jesus Christ 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, Matt. 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 doctrines shall be adhered to in the teaching 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 in consistent with the above listed basic doctrines.

# HE IS NOT HERE: FOR HE IS RISEN

by the Late Rev. Gail P. Schulz

How absurd it is not to believe in Jesus. How impossible to doubt each of His precious promises. How pagan not to accept as Scriptural fact His resurrection. Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon the resurrection. The Christian world will meet in grand array on this Easter to depict the resurrection from the place where it is supposed that He lay near Jerusalem to the far flung islands, and even in many heathen lands missionaries will do their best to stress the resurrection.

## THE PROOF OF HIS RESURRECTION

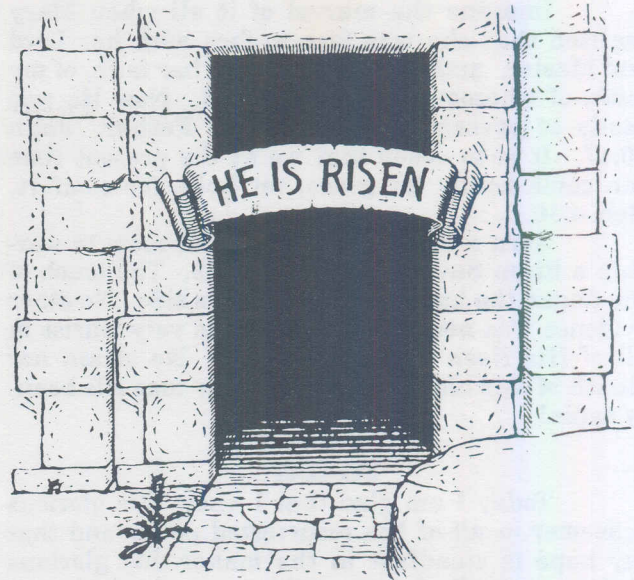
Why should I try to prove His coming forth from the tomb? Would it not be better for you to prove that He did not come forth? The only evidence that a disbeliever has is the old one time lie as told by the fearful soldiers who were sent to guard the tomb, lest He be stolen away. Some answer had to be given and they could not explain His disappearance, with out acknowledging His resurrection, the one thing that the world of His day hated to admit the most. In proof we do have the Bible account. Would you want to deny the very core of the Bible—the Divine acclamation of the Father, and Son and Holy Ghost?

Do you want to destroy any and every thread of history, doubting any and every report of all races, and religions (that believe in Christ and His resurrection, and who would want or endorse any other?) Do you want to forget every picture, every work of art—calling it all a model of ignorance and superstition? Do you desire to by-pass every church and temple building and call them only halls of delusion? Should all the pens of wise minds and sincere hearts be put out of mind and every book closed forever—?

All of this and much more must be eradicated from thought and worship if Jesus was not resurrected.

## THE IMPORTANCE OF HIS RESURRECTION

I think that some times it is difficult for people to realize that Jesus was the first fruit of the resurrection. Note the high points of I Cor. 15: 12-26. All our hope of living again after death lies in the power of His resurrection. Even Old Testament saints knew and testified of the resurrection. Job gives some of the most beautiful words of hope and confidence found in Job 14; 12-15. ". . . If a man die shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my changes come. Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee:—". David knew that he would see the Lord in all of His



beauty, for he said, "I shall be satisfied, when I awake, in thy likeness" Psa. 17:15.

The Scribes and Pharisees were always seeking a sign of the Divinity of Christ, so Jesus gave them one, the only one—that is that Jesus Himself would come forth from the grave. Matt. 12:38-40. Mark 8:11-12. In this case, because they already had His world all Jesus could do was to breathe a sign of regret for the unbelieving world about Him. In Matt. 16: 1-4 Jesus plainly sets forth the knowledge of His coming resurrection. Read Like 11: 29-30. All doubt, all fear, all misgivings had to go with His resurrection.

I never read the account of the Emmaus brethren without a real heart warming thrill. Luke 24:13-35. The thought, did not our heart burn with is? and the Lord is risen indeed, should quell any anxiety, and route all false impressions. As for me the direct words of Jesus in one passage suffices. "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live". He continued. "And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this? John 11:25-36. Yes, I believe and know that He can keep that which I have committed unto Him, against that day. II Tim. 1:12.

## THE GLORY OF HIS RESURRECTION

The glory of that sinless, sickless and deathless body is more than tongue or pen can describe; it is more than we can comprehend or value. "Now I only know in part, but some day we shall see Him as He is" I Cor. 13:12. I John 3:1-1. Think of the glory of that first Easter morn. Death was passed, suffering was over, and the price was paid for all humanity that they might live and reign with Christ. Rev. 1:5, Rev. 5:10, Rev. 20:6-7.

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Imagine the marvel of it all when Mary realized that she was face to face with her Lord and Master, author and finisher of her faith, of my faith, of whosoever will. Heb 12:2. Now He was ready to present Himself to the Father. John 20:17. It is to Jesus that we at the present time can come boldly for grace, for help, for comfort. Heb. 4:16.

Even a doubting Thomas had room to worship a Risen Savior. John 20: 26-29. The touch of the finger, the hand placed upon His side. No other evidence was needed. This was the very Christ in all of His risen power and glory! No strain nor stench of this black earth could ever mar His beauty again!

### TO-DAY

Today I am glad that I know this glorious redeemer in all of His resurrected power and that my hope is steadfast in the maker-this glorious Redeemer is all of more could any soul ask that to be like Him? He is not here for He is risen. I must go to meet Him! He will make a way for He is the way. John 14:6. Let us each try to place more importance this Easter on His resurrection. Not the day, but the Christ! Not the program, but the event! Indeed, He is our Risen Coming King and the proof and importance and glory of it all becomes a shrine of heavenly holy things too sacred for human thought to contain. Only in my heart can I make Him Lord of the Resurrection and Lord of All.

## EASTER

"Mommie, when is Sunday?"

"Just two more days, Jane.

Today is Friday."

"And then it will be Sunday?"

And am I going to Sunday School?"

It wasn't so much the desire for Sunday School as it was those brand-new shiny slippers that was bothering Jane - those Sunday slippers.

(Of course, there never was a grown-up who looked forward to Easter with one eye on that delectable hat on the closet shelf or the new suit on the hanger.)

And how shall I greet Easter? With all the joyousness of a heart aglow with love for the risen Savior, with a solemn awareness of all it meant to Him and to you and with high anticipation of that day when we shall see Him face to face, our risen victorious Lord.

# ALWAYS

Note Paul's use of the word "always":

- I. "I exercise myself, to have *always* a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men" (Acts 24:16).
- II. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, *always* abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (I Cor. 15:58)
- III. "*Always* bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body" (II Cor. 4:10).
- IV. "Praying *always* with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit" (Eph. 6:18).
- V. "Therefore we are *always* confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we [will someday] be absent from the body, and .... present with the Lord"  
(II Cor. 5: 6-8).
- VI. "Rejoice in the Lord *always*; and again I say, Rejoice" (Phil. 4:4).
- VII. "Giving thanks *always* for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ: (Eph. 5:20)
- VIII. "Now thanks be unto God, which *always* causeth us to triumph in Christ" (II Cor. 2:14).
- IX. "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, *Always* having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work" (II Cor. 9:8).

—Selected

## An Old Chinese Proverb

If there is right in the soul,  
There will be beauty in the person.  
If there be beauty in the person,  
There will be harmony in the home.  
If there is harmony in the home,  
There will be order in the nation.,  
If there is order in the nation,  
There will be peace in the world.

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## LADIES RETREAT

Dear Friends,

This is a long overdue report on the "Who's In Control?" 1993 ladies retreat. Over 120 ladies from several different states met October 22-24 at the Sheraton Gunter Hotel in San Antonio, Texas for a wonderful refreshing time of spiritual refreshing as well as reuniting with old friends.

Friday evening opened with Sis. LaMoynes Fox speaking on "The Superwoman Syndrome." Tammie Patzkowski and Anna Patzkowski from Balco, Ok. performed a skit that expressed how important it was for us to place God first in our lives. Janet Stanberry and Sharon Pederson from Katy, Tx. performed a skit about Mary and Martha. The Stanberry sisters played these parts very well and it reminded us again how important the Lord should be in our lives. A drama team from Family Worship Center in Austin, Tx. performed the last skit. Many saw ourselves in that skit and made stronger commitments to spend more time with the Lord. This skit made a strong impact on many people and there were several who went forward for special prayer. Sister Janae Harris from Scottsbluff, Neb. closed the service with some beautiful music.

Saturday morning came to life with more praise and singing to our Lord. Sister Barbara Waterbury, from Perryton, Tx. spoke to the whole group on the subject of the New Age Movement. She titled her message, "The Subtle Deception." Sis. Waterbury warned us about how easily people, even Christians, can be deceived if Jesus is not controlling our lives. The group, consisting of ladies from six states, broke into smaller groups for workshops. The workshops were "Life in the Fast Lane," by Suzanne Wallis, Austin, Tx., "Mothering Adolescents" by Kathryn Cornell of Guymon, Ok., "Middlers," by Doris Stanberry, Katy, Tx., "The Prime Timers," by Mary Jo Elkins, Hempstead, Tx. and "The Single Connection," by Janae Harris. These groups targeted the many stages of life that we go through.

We dismissed for lunch and an afternoon of free time in San Antonio. The group reassembled that evening for a Fiesta Fajita Dinner Banquet. Sis. Janae led in a time of worship and she also sang some beautiful songs. It was wonderful to be able to turn that part of the service over to such a gifted lady with a wonderful ministry. Kim Mathis, from Hempstead, Tx. and Janice Brening, from Hardesty, Ok. accompanied Janae and Gina Corsi, from Katy, Tx. sang a beautiful song.

The service was then turned over to our special guest speaker, Dr. Pauline Parham, from Dallas, Tx. She spent some time reminiscing of special memories and then delivered an inspiring message. We felt so privileged to have her willing-

ly come to share with us. The meeting was dismissed with prayer and then the ladies broke up into small devotional groups. Many victories were won that night. Several ladies testified of giving God full control of their hearts and lives. Several groups prayed in the the early morning.

We all met bright and early Sunday morning to again be blessed by the wonderful ministry of Janae. Patti Waterbury, from Dallas, Tx. ministered a special song and then introduced her mother, Sis. Barbara Waterbury, who spoke about "Broken Pieces." She reminded all of us that the only mender of broken hearts was Jesus Christ. Sometimes we might think Christians are immune to pain, but there are many who can tell a different story. When God is in control we know where to go when our hearts break and He teaches us how to be sensitive to others in pain. Several again went forward at the close of the service for special prayer. Much time was spent praying for and encouraging each other.

The 1993 retreat concluded, and many returned home purposing to daily submit themselves to the Holy Spirit in the year ahead.

We again want to thank all of the ladies who came and the ones who prayed diligently for us. We also want to thank the Lord for allowing us this blessed time to worship Him.

In His Service,  
Polly Barker  
Carla Hunsucker  
Terry Lea Smith

### *Birth Announcement*

Kevin and Karla Theilen of Joplin, MO are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Kylar Jade.

She was born December 16th., 1994 weighing 8 lbs. 5 oz. and was 20" long. Kylar was welcomed by maternal grandparents, Karl and Betty Jo Schelf of Taneyville, Mo. and paternal grandparents, H. H. and Karen Theilen of Lahoma, Ok.

Kylar was dedicated to the Lord on Sunday, March, 6, 1994.

# THE DEPARTURE, THE DELUSION, THE DISAPPOINTMENT

by.....Ron Noble

Often, by the Enlightening Power of God, a verse will seem to demand "You have read me many times, but this time Pay Attention!" So it was with the account in Judges the thirteenth chapter.

The condition God made before Samson's birth stated that he would drink no strong drink, not eat any unclean thing and that no razor would come upon his head; requirements that, if kept, would show Samson's willingness to comply with God's purpose of his being used as a military leader to deliver Israel. Now, Samson grew and was blessed by God, at times. At times, Samson would be moved mightily by the Spirit (14:6-the renting of a young lion, 19-the slaying of 30 men), but what about the other times? What about the times when Samson wasn't moved by the spirit of the Lord. What moved him then? Was it not the lust of the flesh; the desire to do as he pleased? Chapter 14:1 records 'Samson went down...and saw a woman..: 16-Samson...saw there an harlot, and went in unto her. Did not Samson move within his own might when not moved by the Spirit of God? One might wonder why God would use a man like Samson, whose life was filled with such contrast.

In Chapter 16:3, it's recorded the story of love betrayed and the influence of evil associations. Delilah, whom Samson loved, is said to have been bought herself for filthy lucre. The design of the conspiracy was to discover 'wherein his great strength lieth.' Samson's 'Thorn in the flesh' persisted beyond three times, trying to get Samson to reveal his 'secret'. Three times she sought and was eluded, but CONSTANCY pays off (literally for her).

Finally, after she pressed him daily with her words '..that he told her all his heart...and if I be shave, then my strength will go from me.' As before, Delilah alerted Samson, for he was asleep. "Arise, thou that sleepest (and Christ shall give thee light-Eph. 5:14)." the thing you have not feared is come upon thee. Now, wait a minute as Chapter 16:20 is read. Samson awoke out of his sleep, and said "I will go out as at other times before and shake myself." Here is the delusion-that he was going to continue living, acting, talking, as he always had, regardless of how he lived, acted, and spoke in view of his relationship with God. This time there was something drastically different-the Departure. True, the Philistines were there as before, and Delilah had again put forth her effort in earning her money, but Samson 'wist not' (knew not, did not perceive) that the Lord had departed.

Samson, rather forcefully, was 'enlightened' to the fact that his strength, indeed, was gone.

Here comes the Disappointment - many times while in the possession of his captors, it is probable that Samson wished that he hadn't given in to the persistent pleasure of Delilah or that he had discovered the conspiracy (but, alas, wishing things hadn't been is always futile).

As Samson did 'grind in the prison house,' there was time to consider his ways. Defeated, blind, groping, Samson realized that the strength did not 'lie' within him any longer and once again asked "O God, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthened me...only this once.." 16:20. When the Philistines called for Samson to make sport of him, Samson took hold of the two middle pillars...and he bowed himself with all his might; and the house fell.." (29,30). The Bible says that more people died at his death than all those which he slew in his life. "And he judged Israel twenty years."

So good did come out of this, but at what cost? It resulted in the death of a man of almost confusing contrasts; a man who was separated as a Nazarite, yet tampered with evil associates; a man who, as a child, was blessed by the Lord and had the Spirit beginning to move within his life, only to finish without that same Spirit continuing to move. History might have been different at this time had Samson kept his vow and his hair, but whatever is past will be, and we must learn from it.

I have stated that Samson's life was filled with almost confusing contrasts, for we may have wondered why Samson seemed so unstable in some of his ways, or how could God use someone that was 'double minded?' Before we become too critical of Samson, couldn't we ask the same about other Christians today (or even ourselves?) do not many Christian people live a life of contrasts; people wanting to do good, but falling short much of the time? Do not many people have the Spirit of the Lord begin to move in their lives, enabling them to do mightily for the Lord, yet at the times when the Spirit is not allowed to move, they move according to their own desires?

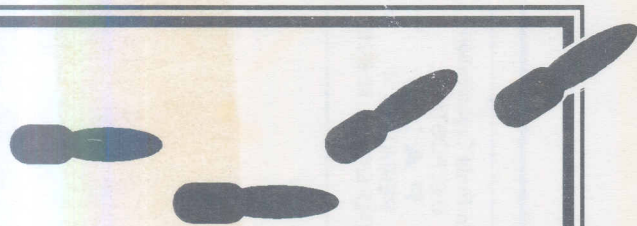
I've wondered at the actions and attitudes of many Christian people including especially myself. I've wondered how come we are (or seem) so spiritual at times, yet so 'unspiritual' at other times?

I've found that my problem is that I trust in the arm of flesh and leaning to my own understanding causes me to not move as I should. Delilah wanted to know the source of Samson's strength, and the compromising of his position cost him dearly. The Christian's strength of course comes from maintaining and improving our relationship with the 'God of all Sufficiency. there have been, and are, too many Christians that have started well for the Lord, but have become involved in

compromising positions and with wicked company, resulting in their loss of strength. Then when the time arises that the strength of the Lord is needed (which is always), we arise to confront the situation and find that Help is not present. It's a shame that we continue in our wrongful ways, having been pressured by the worldly minded into finally relaxing our stand on the Lord's standards, then when we finally awake, suddenly there is no strength. I've also wondered if we have been deceived into believing that God is going to continue to work in our lives even when we're not working for Him? Do we expect Him to be 'a very present help in trouble' even when we're 'afar off?'

Dearly beloved, wherein does your strength lie today? Is it within yourself or others? Perhaps you've placed your trust in your past works, and are expecting them to carry you. The past mercies of God are to assist in helping our faith to be increased for this present time, but not to be depended on as security, expecting Him to perform in us if we are not performing for Him. It comes down to how to perform that which is good I find not.

I rejoice in what I have been able to do for the Lord, but the important question is 'what am I doing for Him now?' We ought to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world instead of being pressured into letting down our guard. What a terrible and hopeless feeling it is to need the Lord, only to find Him departed while we slept! It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed. Great is His faithfulness. How about yours?



## THE PRAYER TRACK

In a certain West African village the native Christians had no privacy for prayer in their huts, so each one made off to the bush behind his bungalow for seasons of prayer at regular intervals. After a while there was a worn track from the hut to the place of prayer. If it ever happened that the track became over grown from want of use, another Christian villager would admonish his neighbor, "Brother, there is grass on your prayer track!"

## TIME TO SHARPEN UP

Old Nat had a woodpile before him, and he sawed hard to make it smaller. His saw was dull; it needed sharpening and resetting—it was dreadful work to make it go at all.

Said a neighbor, "Nat, what don't you get that saw sharpened? You would do more work and do it a lot easier."

Said Nat, "Don't come bothering here. I've enough to do to saw that pile of wood without stopping to sharpen the saw".

The man who would do God's work without taking time for prayer, reading and studying, will find his labor hard, discouraging, and fruitless.

—Selected

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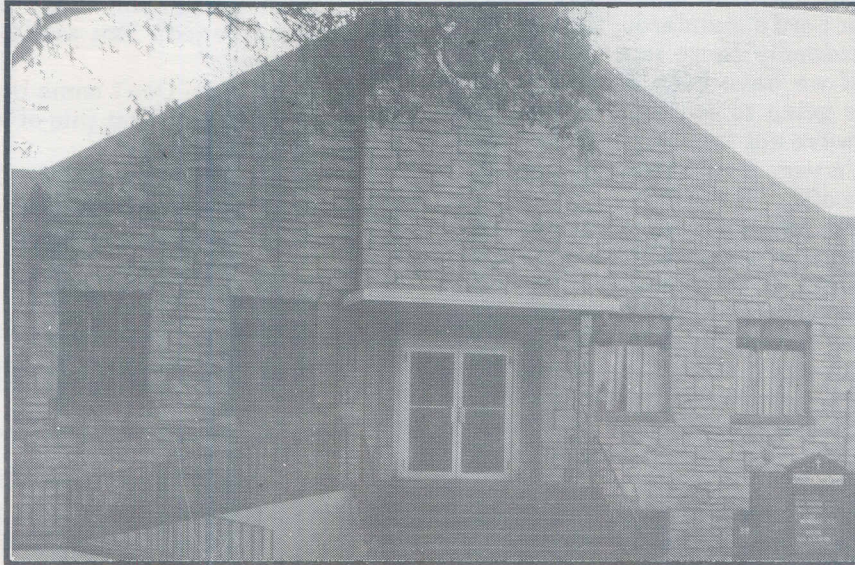
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